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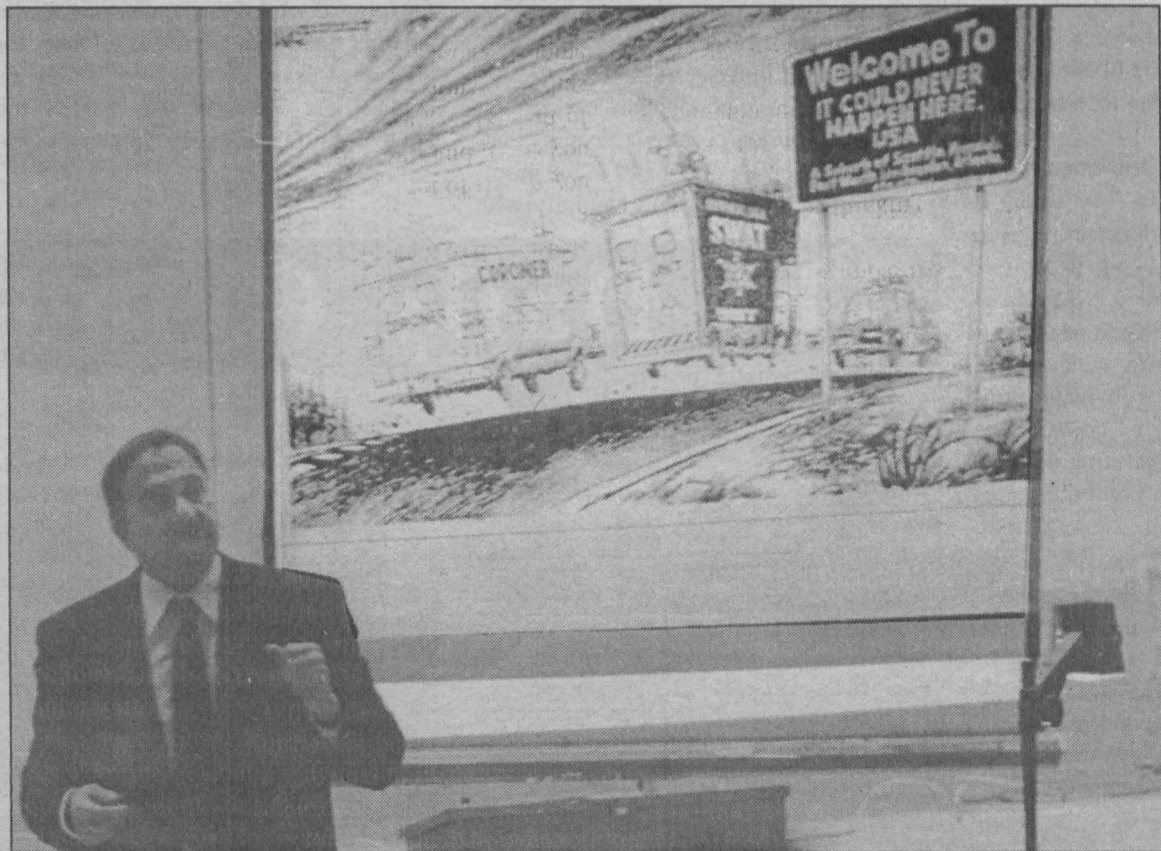
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• Experts on assault

Violence lecture held on campus



Violence expert John Nicoletti spoke yesterday afternoon in Minsky Hall about violence around the country and on college campuses. (Anne Malcolm photo.)

By Kelly Michaud
For the *Maine Campus*

Yesterday, "violence came to campus" when the University of Maine's psychology department hosted speaker John Nicoletti of the Denver Police Department. Nicoletti, a clinical psychologist, is a specialist in diffusing violence and helped with trauma recovery following the Columbine shootings.

In the wake of recent violent tragedies in schools across the country, many begin to wonder where the violence stems from. Nicoletti discussed various types of violence saying that in order to control violence, "you have to know which type you're dealing with."

He described violence as a virus with many strains ranging from gang, domestic, bullying and street violence, to assassin,

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SPECIAL EDITION

As the end of the 1990s was approaching, the editorial staff of The Maine Campus stepped into the Wayback Machine, a la Sherman and Mr. Peabody.

Our mission was to retrieve stories from bound archives to run as a tribute to the year 2000. The stories seek to entertain our readers as a sort of Century in Review.

After cycling through the archives, the staff has found several stories that warrant special recognition.

The stories may or may not prove that no matter what people think, some things never change. The issues of today are not that far removed from those of 50 or 100 years ago.

The enrollment is up, the costs are up, the sports teams still evolve with the seasons, the university still brings interesting musical acts and columnists still have plenty to rant about.

The stories featured are in a special four-page pullout in today's issue. Enjoy!

• Cash for 2000

Financial aid gears up

By Kevin Brooks
For the *Maine Campus*

Thoughts of winter break may be flowing through student minds right now, but at the Office of Financial Aid, minds are gearing up for the fall semester of 2000.

Currently, around 75 percent of undergraduate and graduate students at the University of Maine receive some form of financial aid.

"[That's] indicative of the fact that we have lots of Maine residents and students who need financial aid," said Peggy Crawford, director of student financial aid.

With that in mind, Crawford knows how important it is to get the word out about financial aid deadlines for the 2000 to 2001 school year.

By the time students go home for break, they should have already received a reminder in the mail as well as a renewal application if the student filed by mail last year. If the student filed via the Internet last year, a PIN num

will be sent so he may quickly access the FAFSA Web site.

The timing may seem early, but it is indeed quite timely. The deadline for filing is March 1, 2000. On this day, the FAFSA application must have been received for your application to be considered for all types of aid. For this reason, it is recommended that a student mail the completed application by Feb. 15, and keep a copy of their submission.

"Missing the deadline by one day can mean big bucks," Crawford said.

Big bucks can be anywhere from \$2,000 to \$9,000 and beyond. The only types of aid that are not time sensitive are Pell grants and Stafford loans.

When your application is received after the deadline, no matter what degree of need you have, your application is considered based on the available aid left after the on-time applications are processed.

If you're thinking of getting a

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• Greenhouse effect

UMaine looks at global warming

By Chris Corio
For the *Maine Campus*

Environmental advocate Pam Person is convinced that a problem like global warming can be affected by the everyday choices each individual makes. She uses herself as an example: In her Orland home, she has her furnace serviced regularly, uses natural light as much as possible and hangs her wash out to dry instead of using the dryer.

"There are a lot of things you could do that would cost you practically nothing," she said of the simple decisions she has made in the upkeep of her home and vehicles.

Environmental activists, scholars at the University of Maine and policy makers from around the state have been aggressive and enterprising in their commitments to reverse input into the global warming phenomenon.

"People in Maine are taking this issue very seriously," said George Jacobson, a professor at

UMaine. "It's nice to know that people in various research capacities are contributing to our understanding of the global warming problem."

Like Person, Jacobson said citizen responsibility is vital; if people in Maine make the right decisions in the course of their everyday lives, they can reduce the effects of global warming and provide an example for others, he said.

"We should be thinking about the decisions we make in our lives as individuals, as families, as communities and always consider the energy implications for them," Jacobson said.

Jacobson said he believes the issue is urgent and should be taken seriously.

The emissions of carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, ozone and chlorofluorocarbons are called greenhouse gases because of their ability to absorb heat energy and trap it near the earth's surface. These emissions have increased due to society's consumption of fossil fuels such as coal and oil.

Elevated levels of these gases could cause global warming.

Other changes could result in the melting of polar ice caps, loss of biodiversity, increased storm frequency and intensity, or changes in cloud cover.

Although there is disagreement in the scientific community over how the climate will be affected, Jacobson said there will be consequences.

"What we're doing to the chemistry of the atmosphere is definitely highly unusual," he said.

Jacobson is part of a multi-disciplinary unit that promotes teaching and research in the fields of paleoclimatology, paleoecology and prehistoric archaeology. The Institute for Quaternary Studies was formed in 1975 and takes its name from the geological period in the Earth's history, the quaternary, which began 1.6 million years ago with the ice age and continues today.

Members of the institute con-

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Today:

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Chilly weekend coming this way with skies partly cloudy through Monday.



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• I get by with a little help from my friends

Counseling available for students in crisis

By Amanda Hebert
For the *Maine Campus*

Christine Thibodeau knew when she took a job as a resident adviser that her residents would come to her first if there was a crisis on her floor. But it wasn't until a few weeks ago that this part of her job description became a reality.

"After dealing with something, I feel initiated," she said. "Because I was the one who had to deal with it."

The crisis Thibodeau experienced when she was "initiated" into being a resident adviser happens daily on college campuses. Since college is a time of transition, the huge life changes students both new and old experience, can lead to depression and other conditions.

Sometimes students can't handle the changes — and the emotions that come with them — on their own. College campuses are also frequently the sites of rape and other assaults, a crime most students have never had to deal with. It is when crises like these occur that students need to know that there are places on campus that can help them through hard times.

The residence hall staff, resident advisers and resident directors work in conjunction with Public Safety and the Counseling Center to help students who are in crisis situations, such as being depressed, suicidal or if a student has been the victim of an assault.

These resources are on campus to help students deal with what they are going through. All of their services are available to on- and off-campus students at no cost, and can help students get on with education — and their lives.

Some students come to college knowing they are leaving loved ones behind,

while others come with the baggage of unresolved problems. College is also a time when students feel more academic stress than they ever imagined in high school, in some cases leading to tumbling grades.

College is also a new place to compete with the pressures of new people, new relationships, and sometimes, the dissolution of old relationships. All of these factors can lead to stress and depression.

Douglas Johnson, director of the Counseling Center, said the treatments for these problems are similar to treatments for any physical illness.

"If you have a broken bone, it is important to go to a doctor," he said. "If you are depressed, it is important to go to a doctor also."

The Counseling Center, located at Cutler Health Center, is a place where students can find doctors who specialize in mental health. Students can make non-crisis appointments either by going to the center or calling during operating hours.

Johnson said from that point the secretaries will make an initial appointment, usually within one or two weeks of the time the appointment is made.

Initially, the student will have an appointment with a staff psychologist or pre-doctorate intern where the new client will fill out two pieces of paper work.

One consists of personal information, while the other is what Johnson calls a consent form. It explains how the counseling process operates and outlines the confidentiality agreement. All discussions with counselors, whether in individual, couples or group counseling, are treated with strict confidentiality. The only exceptions to confidentiality occur when there is a danger to the client or another person.

Johnson said many people come to the counseling center not because of a crisis, but with normal developmental concerns.

At the center, clients receive aid from counselors in managing strong emotions, problems with communication, relationships and self-esteem, and assistance in the development of life goals and stress management.

He said one source of stress for students is seeing signs of depression in friends.

"We often meet with people to discuss those types of things," he said.

His advice for people who notice their loved ones having problems sleeping, eating or even getting out of bed in the morning, is to talk directly and candidly with

them about your concerns.

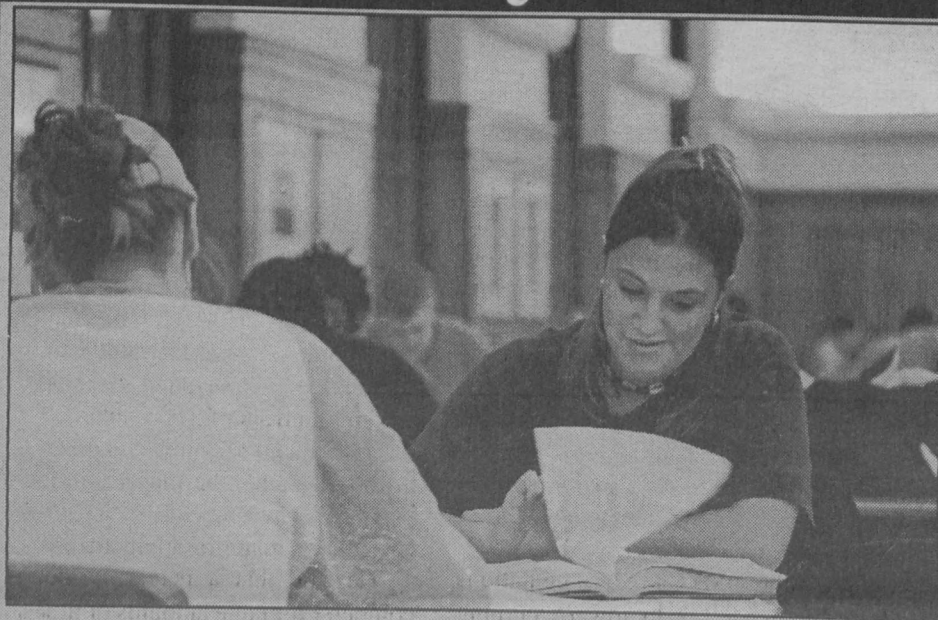
"Let them know you want to help," he said.

He said that often times trying to cheer up a seriously depressed person won't help, but you should not show anger or shame them for their feelings if positive feedback is not working. Trying to get them to go to the Counseling Center is one way to help.

Johnson said if the person says they are suicidal, take them seriously. Direct their thoughts toward getting help. If they have a plan or a timetable, don't leave them alone until they get help. In this situation,

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The Daily Grind



Sophmores Katie Fletcher and Karen Stebbins spent Thursday afternoon studying for their chemistry final in Fogler Library. (Scott Shelton photo.)

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• Ergonomic revolution

OSHA sets new standards

By Debra Hatch
Maine Campus staff

All of the typing and work people do sitting at their computers or on the job can not only tire a person out mentally, but also physically. The repetitive stress of typing or monotonous work can wreck more havoc on the muscles, tendons and joints of a person than one would think.

If new standards are passed by the Occupational Safety and Health Association, an average of 27 million workers would be protected from some form of repetitive stress injuries saving companies and businesses more than \$9 billion, OSHA said in a release on Nov. 22.

OSHA's new standards for ergonomics, which span everything from clerical work to heavy lifting and moving, would potentially curb repetitive stress injuries by implementing a standard ergonomics program for all companies and businesses to prevent injuries.

"Work-related musculoskeletal disorders, such as back injuries and carpal tunnel syndrome are the most prevalent, most expensive and most preventable workplace injuries in the country," Maine Secretary of Labor Alexis M. Herman said in the OSHA news release. "Real people are suffering real injuries that can disable their bodies and destroy their lives."

Women are more likely to experience work-related injuries, OSHA said. Women in the workplace make up 70 percent of all carpal tunnel syndrome cases and 62 percent of the tendonitis cases and more than 100,000 women experience some sort of work-related back injuries.

But while OSHA's new regulations and programs will help toward curbing workplace injuries, students are as much at risk for repetitive stress injuries as peo-

ple in the work force are. And RSIs have the ability to disable a person's life.

If it becomes severe enough, it can make typing, writing, eating and even holding hands with another person painful instead of meaningful. In addition, RSIs can last for up to several years and can be picked up at times in a week or less.

Repetitive stress injuries primarily occur in the hands, fingers and forearms and are caused by too much typing with bad ergonomics or posture. RSI can come on all at once or gradually and can include injuries including tendonitis, carpal tunnel syndrome and cubital tunnel syndrome to name a few.

The Mayo Clinic as well as other medical journals define the symptoms of RSI to include if your hands, arms, wrists, fingers or forearms hurt, ache, tingle, go numb, burn or feel stiff; if pain wakes you up at night; if a loss of strength occurs or you become clumsy with your hands; or if there is the need to constantly massage the area.

Timothy Wakeland, a licensed physical therapist and athletic trainer who is doing contract work with Cutler Health Center said students who suffer from RSI often have learned bad habits as well as lack the proper set up for ergonomics in their dorm rooms or in the computer clusters.

"Many people develop bad habits, like a slouching posture, forward head, rounded shoulders," Wakeland said. "They are working in front of a computer screen and run into the problem of not taking enough breaks to stretch the muscles in the neck, low back and spine. But the wrists and hands are a major problem also."

He said that a person working at a computer for large amounts of time should

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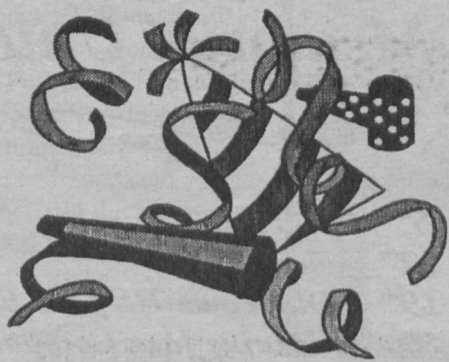
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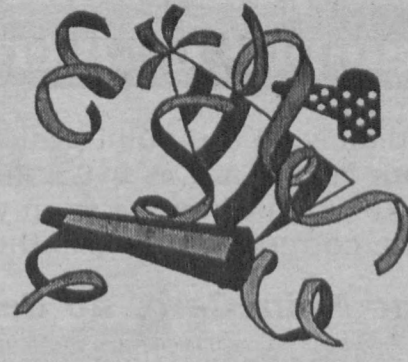
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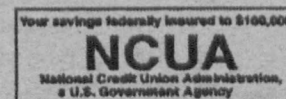
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be taking a one or two minute break every 10 to 15 minutes to stretch.

"[People need to] make sure to build in lots of breaks," Wakeland said. "Every half-hour they should get up and move around, reverse the posture from what it is at the computer."

It is also important, Wakeland said, to give the wrists and hands a break, especially around this time of year when finals, exams and papers are all due. By giving the body breaks from work, it can often reduce the permanent damage an RSI can leave.

In addition, Wakeland said it is important to allow the neck, back and head to move around. About 30 percent of the injuries he sees at Cutler are neck and shoulder problems.

"People sit with poor posture and look down, but also off to the side," he said. "It's like sleeping with a bad bed and either too much pillow or too little. The body is meant to be pliable and flexible."

The best kind of exercise to do for the upper body include exercises to open up the body and reverse how it has been sitting.

Setting up a work station or desk so that it gives the maximum amount of protection against injuries is one of the most important things to do. Wakeland said that exercises are difficult for college students who also use the terminals in the clusters. The setup makes it hard for them to set the computer up the way that is most comfortable to them.

"Most students don't have the luxury of being able to arrange the height of the terminal or whether the keyboard is in the correct place," Wakeland said.

Wakeland said students, for the most part are pretty good at taking care of

themselves. With the winter break almost here, students will also have a chance to take a month off to rest and recover.

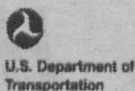
But if it is too late for you, and you are feeling the pressure, literally, then there are treatment options ranging from heat therapy, massage and medication as well as braces.

However, Wakeland said, these only treat the symptoms and don't afford a cure. In general only a small percentage of people who suffer from RSI go on to have major problems which could require anything from medication to operations to fix the damage done to the tendons and muscles.

If you are suffering from RSI and want to see what your options are, Wakeland said to see your family doctor, or Cutler for more information.

For some stretching exercises you can do at your desk, visit <http://web.mit.edu/atic/www/rsi/absolutely/absolute.html#exercise>, or for more information about RSI visit Harvard's RSI site at <http://www.eecs.harvard.edu/rsi/#keyboards> or MIT's Web site at <http://web.mit.edu/atic/www/rsi/mitrsi.htm>.

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Police Beat-down

On Dec. 12 between 1:15 p.m. and 2:45 p.m., a male faculty member reported the theft of money from his wallet while it was in the women's hockey office. Theft is estimated at \$65.

Sometime between 6 p.m. on Dec. 10 and 4:30 p.m. on Dec. 11, a female resident of Cumberland Hall reported the theft of two \$20 Bangor Mall gift certificates and two \$20 bills from her room. The theft of the certificates reportedly took place on the Dec. 10 and the theft of the money reportedly was on Dec. 11.

On Dec. 11 at 2:40 a.m., Officer Sherri Marquis was investigating the smell of marijuana on the second floor in Gannet Hall when she checked a room and found a man to be in possession of alcohol. As a result, John Corbett, 19, was summoned for possession of alcohol by a minor.

On Dec. 12, a woman came into Public Safety to report being assaulted. She claimed that she as well as her friend had been assaulted by her male roommate. The woman reported that she and her male roommate had an argument at their residence, Theta Chi. The man allegedly pushed the victim to the floor after her friend had been grabbed by the arms in a dispute over property. Both victims displayed bruises and cuts. The female roommate said that the man left the dispute and later returned to resume the argument. As a result, Jason Crowell, 21, was arrested for assault for the actions he took against his roommate and was given an additional summons for assault concerning the friend and for criminal mischief done to the property.

Around 4 a.m. on Dec. 12, fire offi-

cials were called to Somerset Hall. Upon arrival, firefighters and officers found the cause of the fire to be a discharged fire extinguisher in the north wing of the second floor. A witness gave a description of three men that he said ran by his room after it was discharged. Anyone with information is encouraged to contact Public Safety.

At 9 p.m. on Dec. 14, a fire alarm was reported at Colvin Hall. A discharged fire extinguisher in the northeast stairwell was apparently the cause of the alarm. Witnesses provided names of those who had been in the stairwell around the time of the incident, which led to an interview with Terry Ashlock, a non-student and resident of Brewer. Ashlock admitted to grabbing the handle and discharging it in the rack. As a result, Ashlock was summoned for criminal mischief.

As part of an on-going investigation, Officer Chris Gardner went to Hancock Hall to speak with a resident there. An interview and a search of the room produced several baggies of marijuana, paraphernalia, small scales and a small quantity of mushrooms. As a result of their findings, Luke Cote, 18, was summonsed to court for trafficking a Schedule X drug.

By Nicole Brann
For the Maine Campus



The MaineCard Office has instituted a new check for deliveries on campus using the MaineCard. To protect students from fraudulent practices, it is necessary to double-check the ID of people ordering food from off-campus merchants using their MaineCard.



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• Motorcycle tragedy

UMaine student dies in accident

By Larry Grard
The Morning Sentinel

WATERVILLE — Eric D. Foss, 20, a Waterville Senior High School graduate and University of Maine junior, was killed early Wednesday (New Zealand time), Dec. 8, 1999, afternoon in a motorcycle accident, his father confirmed Friday.

Glen D. Foss, of Waterville, said he does not know what caused the motorcycle his son was driving to crash.

Eric Foss was vacationing in New Zealand at the time of the accident, which occurred while it was still Tuesday in Maine. From there he was to head back to the United States and to Waterville to be with family for the holidays, his father said. The victim would have turned 21 on the last day of the year. An electrical engineering major at the University of Maine, he was studying at Melbourne University in Australia, on a student exchange program. Eric Foss and his identical twin brother, Ryan J. Foss, enjoyed distinguished high school careers at Waterville High. Glen and Connie (Murphy) Foss also have a daughter, Katie L. Foss, who is a Waterville High sophomore.

"It is a very difficult time for us," Glen Foss said. "We're so proud of our son, Eric. He was doing things in his short life that most men don't have the courage to do and he was doing it with gusto. We'll miss him terribly, but we know that Eric will want us to stand up tall."

Both Glen and Connie Foss said they were touched by the show of compassion and support from everyone who knew their son.

"Eric Foss — a life that made a difference," Mrs. Foss said. "We are getting e-mails from around the country. He was somebody who was a gatherer of people — a pied piper. He was a gift — a gift that is sent to you and you don't want to give the gift back so soon."

Foss said his son decided to tour New Zealand at the end of the semester. He backpacked, and drove his motorbike on the northern island, then took a ferry to the southern island, his father said. All the while, Eric Foss e-mailed family and friends about his adventures. Foss said a U.S. department of state official notified him of his son's death by telephone about 10 a.m. Wednesday.

"We don't know if it was an animal in the road or it was just the terrain," Foss said.

Ryan Foss said later that his brother hit a rock and died instantly from internal injuries. He was about 50 kilometers (31 miles) from dropping the bike off in mid-New Zealand, Ryan Foss said. From there, he was to fly to Auckland, stay there a few days and then fly home, arriving home Thursday Dec. 16, the brother said.

The victim's father said the family ran into "some real issues" trying to get Eric's

body home. He was at first told it could not happen until next week. But U.S. Sen. Olympia J. Snowe, former U.S. Sen. George J. Mitchell of Waterville and Gov. Angus S. King helped accelerate the process, he said. Eric Foss's body was due to arrive on noon Sunday, his father said.

"We're going to have services to celebrate Eric's life on Tuesday, Dec. 14, at the First Congregational Church at 1 p.m.," the father said. "We're just overwhelmed by the amount of support we have had in the community."

Eric and Ryan were born at Elizabeth Ann Seton Hospital, now Seton Unit, Maine General Medical Center, in Waterville, on Dec. 31, 1978.

"I don't really know what to do yet," Ryan Foss, a junior at Colorado State University, said. "It's going to take a long time."

Eric Foss was an Eagle Scout, an outstanding athlete and an accomplished musician at Waterville High. He was also a brilliant student earning a 3.6 grade-point average while taking advanced classes at the school. Eric Foss earned 10 varsity letters in track, swimming and golf. He was a Class A state-champion pole vaulter and a member of the 1996 state-championship golf team. Accomplished on the alto saxophone and drums, Eric Foss earned nine letters while playing in the concert, marching and jazz bands. Following graduation, Eric Foss spent a semester at Boston University. But he missed Maine, his mother said, and transferred to the state university.

Eric's father said he has contacted the Waterville High guidance department and plans to establish an Eric Foss Scholarship. The scholarship will be given annually to an outstanding Waterville scholar-athlete, he said.

Violence

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and terrorist, racial, avenger and serial killer strains of violence. The common thread amongst these strains is their ability to mutate and harm.

In a college campus setting, one usually encounters street violence. Nicoletti describes this as people who "rape and mug others."

"They are predators and opportunists who come down and choose their victims," he said. "Poachers go to another community and trolls put themselves in a territory to be near a possible victim."

Often times the beginnings of violence start with stalking, starting with mental obsession.

"In a way we are all little stalkettes," Nicoletti said. "You can't get someone out of your mind and you think about them a lot."

It is when these thoughts begin to take the next steps of surveillance, characterized by checking someone's whereabouts, to harassment that stalkers become dangerous. "The final stage of stalking is extermination when [the stalker is thinking] 'I can't live without you so you can't live without me,'" he said.

"There are cures for each type of violence but you have to find the right one," said Nicoletti.

Our history is full of defining moments that set the pace and now, "you could never go back to the way you were because violence regenerates," Nicoletti said.

"The first time someone blew up an airplane was in 1958," he said. "It was a virus no one believe existed and the first intervention wasn't until the '70s. Prior to 1970 there were no security procedures. That's what flying was like. You can never go back."

"A one-time, one-event, one-person created the packaging with safety seals we now have on medicines after the

Tylenol Killings in 1981 when poison was put in bottles," he continued.

"With Columbine we saw three things for the first time," Nicoletti said. He questioned whether a new strain and a new generation of violence were developing. "It was the first time we had a killing team, there was the introduction of bombs, and the boys killed horizontal kids, not just people who were vertical."

Nicoletti further discussed how people turn into violent individuals. Usually when tragedies occur and the media questions neighbors, the response is much the same: "He was such a nice guy. He just snapped," he reiterated.

Nicoletti disagrees. "They don't just snap. They never do. They give signs but we don't see them. We try to pretend it's something else," he said.

A developmental psychologist in the audience questioned Nicoletti on the inevitability of violence and how we can "get back to the issues of motivation."

"People are desensitized," he responded. "They're dehumanized and see others as slabs of meat."

Ultimately, there are a few ways to prevent violence but mainly, "to prevent violence, you have to find what violence you're most susceptible to," and react from there.

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Crisis

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it is important to involve the residence hall staff. From there, the Counseling Center's crisis line will be notified through Public Safety, and in some situations Public Safety will be brought to the scene. In most cases, the person in crisis will speak to a counselor.

For the friend dealing with the depressed person, Johnson also suggests counseling. He said it is a stressful situation and students shouldn't have to handle it on their own.

"Use your own support systems," he said.

These support systems include hall staff, the center, friends and family. He also said to try not to take on too much responsibility, and not to ignore your own feelings.

Another problem on and off college campuses is rape. A pamphlet titled "Rape: Now What" distributed by Public Safety defines sexual assault, the legal term for rape.

The pamphlet states: "[Rape is] any nonconsensual intercourse, whether penetration is anal, oral or vaginal; any physically coerced sexual contact; or any threat of intimidation or imminent danger, actual or implied, by one or more people either known or unknown to the victim. Any unwanted attempt of sexual activity, including but not limited to, intercourse, touching, exhibitionism, threatening or offensive sexual language, by one or more people whether known or unknown to the person victimized, is sexual abuse or harassment."

According to Deborah Mitchell, crime prevention officer for Public Safety, when a sexual assault is reported on campus, an officer trained in dealing with sexual assault is sent to the scene. The victim may request that the officer

be female and-or be out of uniform. She said from that point, the needs of the victim are taken care of.

"The medical and counseling needs are met first," she said.

The victim is urged to go to the hospital, even if the assault took place days before the police were called. If the victim chooses to go to the hospital, Public Safety begins a protocol developed in conjunction with St. Joseph's Hospital to ensure the privacy and care of the victim.

At that point, the victim is tested for STD's, any injuries are treated and if the victim is a female, she may be given a pregnancy test. Mitchell said the hospital visit is considered collection of evidence and whether or not the victim chooses to allow the state to prosecute, all costs are covered by the district attorney's office.

Mitchell said at this point, the officers refrain from questioning the victim.

"We don't ask a lot of questions," she said. "They need some peace."

If the victim agrees, an officer may be present during the examination to take notes and minimize the duplication of questions in the future.

After medical needs are addressed, the mental health of the victim is attended to. Counseling can take place through the hospital, both initially and then in follow-up appointments; later the victim may be referred to the Rape Crisis Hotline or Cutler Heath Center.

The police's role in the assault may end at medical attention and referral for counseling. Public Safety allows the victim to make the decision whether or not to prosecute. Mitchell said this is a way to give control back to the victim, after an incident where the victim had control taken away.

The victim may choose from many options, ranging from simply filling out a police report to full prosecution by both the university and district attorney's office.

Mitchell said even if the victim was intoxicated at the time of the assault, he or she still has rights within the law.

"The intoxication is not the issue," Mitchell said. "The assault is."

She said the victim is not going to be in trouble for being intoxicated at the time of the assault.

She said Public Safety does all it can to protect the victim, from providing protection from retaliation, to doing what they can to maintain the confidentiality of the victim.

If you are a friend of a person who has been sexually assaulted, there are also opportunities for help. Mitchell said she can be used as a resource, even if the victim has made the decision not to call the police.

Friends can also get counseling through the Counseling Center for help in what to say to the victim, as well as dealing with any stresses the friend encounters.

She said in dealing with the victim, a friend should let the victim know they are believed and have a person they can go to for help. Friends can aid victims in getting counseling and medical attention, whether or not the victim has chosen to notify the police.

No matter what the crisis, if it happens to a student who lives in a residence hall, the hall staff is the first place students can go for help. The staff may not know all the answers, but they have received training on how to find them.

"Campus Living's feeling on major

crises is that we don't get paid enough to take care of that, so we get more help," Thibodeau said. "There are so many resources, so many places you can go."

Help can take the form of just talking, counseling, or in extreme cases, notifying the resident director and Public Safety.

Thibodeau said anything her residents tell her is in confidence. She said sometimes residents come to her for advice, but sometimes it is just to let her know that something is going on in the hall or in their lives.

After being a resident adviser for two months, Thibodeau has shut many doors after quiet hours, but has also opened her door to students who need her help.

From her experiences, she realizes that what she has been taught isn't all there is to know about dealing with the problems of a building full of college students, but she is learning.

"I've learned from the last two months in this job that the book doesn't prepare you for everything, it's life experience," she said.

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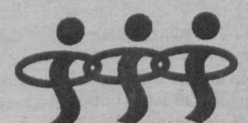
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• Timeline

Looking back at our history

By Kevin Brooks
For the Maine Campus

The following is a timeline compiled to retrace some of the history of the University of Maine.

- 1863 - Maine Legislature accepts the Morrill Act. Morrill Act signed by President Abraham Lincoln permits the establishing of land-grant colleges. No immediate action is taken, due to the Civil War. First considerations are to expand the existing campus of Bowdoin or Colby College. The ideas were discarded and a parcel of land in Orono is deeded to the state.
- 1868 - Sept. 21 - Institution opens with 12 students and two faculty members.
- 1868 - Library is located in Fernald Hall.
- 1872 - Women are admitted to university.
- 1881 - First master's degree is conferred.
- 1897 - Name changed to University of Maine. With the change, the university is able to grant both B.S. and B.A. degrees.
- 1898 - University began the College of Law. College served from 1898 until 1920 when it is discontinued. The university system will not offer a College of Law again until 1961 when it is offered at the University of Southern Maine after a merger with Portland College.
- 1900 - University fees, room and board are \$176.50.
- 1913 - Journalism curriculum is established. Students who complete this curriculum receive a bachelor of arts degree for their work in English. Three journalism courses appear in the catalog.
- 1918 - The only year in university history that no speech courses are available. Professor Daggett is called into the armed forces during the summer of 1918 — no replacement is selected.
- 1919 - Practical journalism is offered under the department of English. The course consists of editing or reporting for The Maine Campus.
- 1920 - School of Education established.
- 1920 - College of Law is discontinued.
- 1923 - All graduate work is consolidated into the graduate school.
- 1934 - Stevens Hall is dedicated.
- 1936 - January - A quickly moving fire destroys Oak Hall. No lives are lost in the blaze. A new building is constructed, with the same name, and remains a residence hall today.
- 1940 - Estabrooke Hall is constructed as an all women's dorm. Professor Horace M. Estabrooke is a force on campus until his death in 1908. His wife, Kate "Ma" Estabrooke serves as a housemother at Mt. Vernon. A short-lived dining hall is named for Horace, while Estabrooke Hall is named after Kate.
- 1941 - The cornerstone of a new library is set in place. World War II prevents further construction.
- 1947 - University of Maine library is completed. The collection consists of 215,000 volumes plus government documents.
- 1958 - School of Education becomes College of Education.
- 1958 - Schools of Business Administration, Forestry, Home Economics, and Nursing are established.
- 1960 - First doctor's degree bestowed.
- 1963 - Aroostook Hall opens for summer session.
- 1968 - The Hilltop complex, including Knox, Somerset, and Oxford Halls, as well as Hilltop Commons, is completed.
- 1975 - Schools of Engineering Technology & Performing Arts are established.
- 1977 - Alford Arena is dedicated. The arena is named for Harold Alford, a benefactor of the university. With the addition of the new arena came the new-found popularity of ice hockey.
- 1980 - University received Sea Grant College status.
- 1982 - College of Forest Resources established.
- 1994 - Hilary Rodham Clinton brings a public forum on healthcare to UMaine.
- 1994 - Farmer's Market begins at the Steam Plant Parking Lot.
- 1994 - Dunn and Corbet halls are converted from residence halls to office space.
- 1996 - The library contains 875,000 volumes, the largest collection in the state of Maine.
- 1999 - The UMaine Black Bears bring home the NCAA championship.
- 1999 - Plans are formed to build a new residence hall and add parking.

Aid

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jump on filing, you have to hold back just a little. Before you can file your FAFSA, the government requires the current calendar year be closed before requesting aid based on the numbers for 2000.

The earliest your application will be accepted by mail is Jan. 1, 2000. For Web filers, the site will be active for 2000-2001 on Jan. 3.

Most of the changes to the FAFSA this year are minor ones, except one. A new question has been added to the FAFSA this year and it must be answered.

Question 28 reads: "If you have never been convicted of any illegal drug offense, enter '1' in the box and go to question 29."

If you choose not to answer the question, your application will be slowed since the office must track you down for an answer. Also, an assumption may be made that you have been convicted, possibly hindering your aid as well.

If you have been convicted, it does not necessarily mean you are ineligible for aid. The government has provided a 1-800 number as well as a on-line worksheet to determine how to best answer the question if you have been convicted.

"There's no consistency in that it's a political issue," Crawford said.

With this question, aid may be withheld on the basis of a drug conviction, but a murderer could still receive aid. Even now, the financial aid community is working to get the question rescinded, but "for this year, it's in there," Crawford said.

A new addition for Web filers is the ability to correct mistakes on-line, bypassing the need to file changes through the mail. One thing to remember when filing over the Internet is to sign and send in the signature page to the government, otherwise all the information you entered

online cannot be used.

Aside from a few other minor changes, the FAFSA remains the same as last year's form. When filling out the form, exact numbers aren't required. If you haven't filed your tax forms with the IRS, use estimates on the FAFSA.

The office of financial aid encourages all to apply for financial aid, even if you think you may not be eligible. If something should happen over the course of a school year, it will be an option for you to fall back on.

Filing on time will ensure that you are considered for all types of aid, even if you don't plan on using them.

If you have any questions regarding aid or completing the FAFSA form, you are encouraged to contact the Office of Student Financial Aid in Wingate Hall at 581-1324.

Advisers are also available on a walk-in basis from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. weekdays, except Thursday afternoons.

Shortly following the beginning of spring semester, the office will have a forum on FirstClass to answer students questions.

To reach FAFSA on the Web go to: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>.

For questions on answering Question 28, please call 1-800-433-3243 or visit, <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/q28>.

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Stop 3	York Hall	4:40 pm	6:40 pm
		5:40 pm	7:10 pm
			8:40 pm
Stop 4	Stillwater Ave: Spotlight Cinemas	4:45 pm	6:45 pm
		5:45 pm	7:45 pm
			8:45 pm
Stop 5	Stillwater Ave: Hoyt's Cinemas	5:05 pm	7:05 pm
		6:05 pm	8:05 pm
			9:05 pm
Stop 6	Mall: Sears Entrance	5:07 pm	7:07 pm
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Warming

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duct research in Antarctica, Greenland, Siberia, Europe and South America, as well as in Canada and the United States. The focus is on the mechanisms of natural climate change and the effects these former changes have had on the environment.

Jacobson's research has shown him how much climate change has the potential to affect the environment in which we live.

"To change the atmosphere of the entire earth and assume nothing will happen is just crazy," he said.

Person holds the same belief. Last April she co-chaired a global climate change conference held in Lewiston, which brought together more than 300 people from various sectors of society.

Scientists, representatives from Maine's congressional delegation and legislative committees, teachers, students, concerned citizens and members of civic, environmental and business organizations were in attendance.

"It's been a remarkable experience," Person said of the conference. "Rather than sucking our thumbs [over the need for change], it allowed us think about the phenomenal potential for economic growth."

Person is continuing her efforts to educate and inform people through the Coalition for Sensible Energy, a Bucksport nonprofit organization she founded in 1990. The group will organize Earth Day 2000 with a focus on clean energy.

"We want to show people that they too can do it," she said.

The global warming solution may not be as simple as people changing the way they do things, according to Andrew Plantinga, a professor at the University of Maine. Plantinga is also a part of the Maine

Climate Change Task Force, a group of scholars and policy makers monitoring greenhouse gas emissions in the state.

"It's a complicated issue — really to do anything about global warming you need an international solution," he said. "If Maine reduced its emissions it wouldn't make a dent if other countries [and the rest of the United States] didn't follow suit."

"The question is, if we were confronted with an international agreement, what role might Maine play in that instance?" Plantinga asked.

A drastic change in modes of transportation would be the first consideration, since Maine's highest levels of emissions come from the burning of gasoline, he said. The biggest perpetrators are the sport utility vehicles, which are notoriously inefficient fuel-burners.

So many people own SUVs in this country that the average fuel economy of U.S. autos has gone down over the past ten years, he added.

"People use those vehicles as if they're cars," he said, rather than out of necessity, as in the past.

Plantinga doesn't think people would be willing to make radical lifestyle changes like this on their own.

"You'd have to radically change the incentives people face," such as charging \$5 per gallon of gas, he said.

Another choice would be to use plant growth to mitigate the levels of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, Plantinga added.

Plants take in carbon dioxide during the process of photosynthesis, so managing forests to reduce carbon dioxide and instituting large-scale tree-planting programs would be relatively inexpensive compared to other actions, he said.

Since 90 percent of Maine is already

forested, it would not be worth it to pay landowners to put land into trees, he said. Modifying management practices in existing forests to affect growth rates and practicing different harvesting systems would potentially greatly increase the amount of carbon dioxide captured by the forests.

The Kyoto Protocol addressed a broader scope on the global warming issue. Adopted in 1997 by most of the world's nations at the Third Conference On Climate Change, in Kyoto, Japan, it set specific targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Currently, Plantinga said, the U.S. aims to reduce emissions to 1990 levels between 2008 and 2012. From 2012 and 2017, it intends a further reduction to below 1990 levels.

"If people in Maine really care, probably the best thing they can do is push for aggressive actions on the federal level," Plantinga said.

People motivated to act to protect something they value is the most important catalyst for change, such as the activism in the 1960s and 1970s that led to the passing of the Clean Air and Clean Water Acts.

"This is the kind of grassroots leadership that really makes things happen," Jacobson said.

Jacobson also praised former Maine senators Edmund Muskie and George Mitchell, who he said were recognized nationally and internationally as leaders in environmental issues.

Mitchell brought the 1990 Clean Air Act to the floor and saw it passed and signed into law, against President Bush's wishes. During the Senate's override of President Reagan's veto of the Clean

Water Act in 1987, Mitchell criticized the president severely for failing to keep his promise to fund the clean water program.

Muskie was also active in writing the early environmental protection legislation of 1963 and 1966, and sponsored the 1970 Clean Air Act and the 1972 Clean Water Act.

Maine has a good track record in environmental issues, Jacobson added.

"I can't see any reason why we can't be a leader in this [global warming] issue," he said.

Pam Person agrees. She is a citizen who takes responsibility for global warming and encourages others to do the same. Day to day individual choices can effect powerful change.

"Things are already happening — people are not waiting around," she said.



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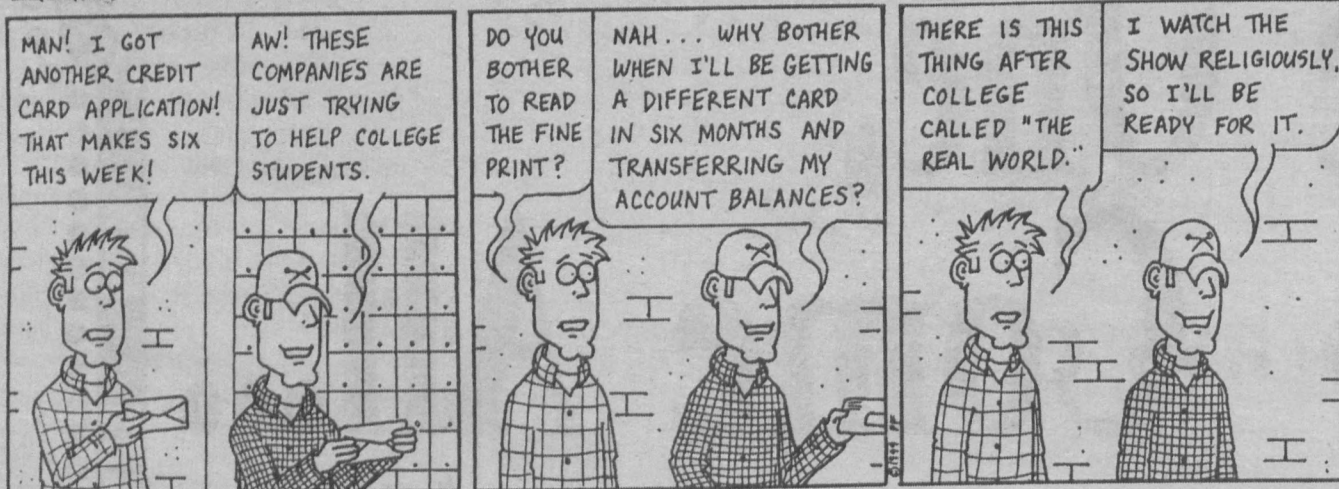
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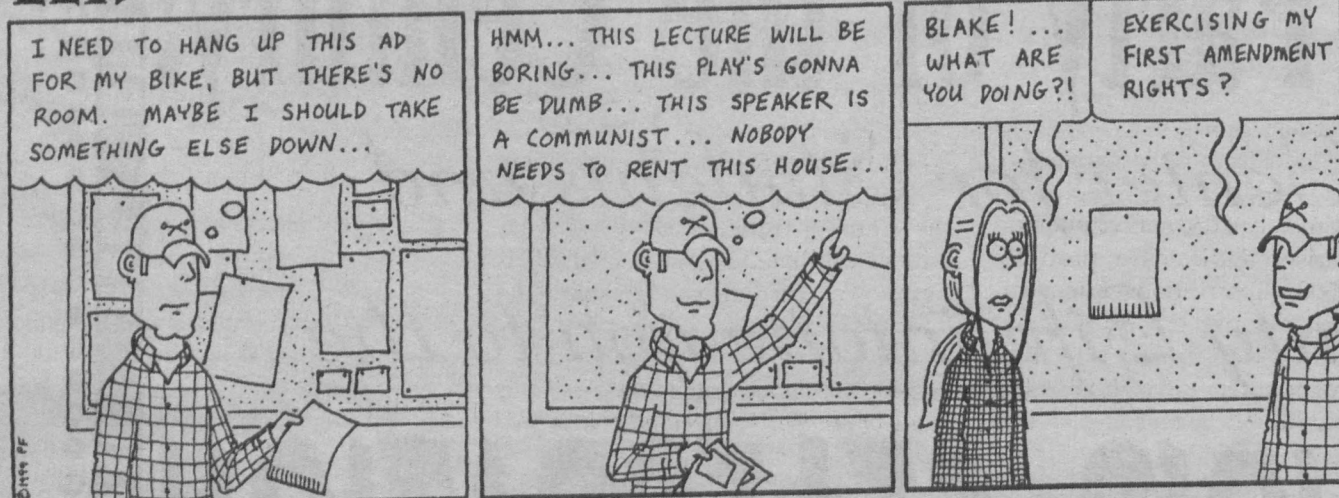
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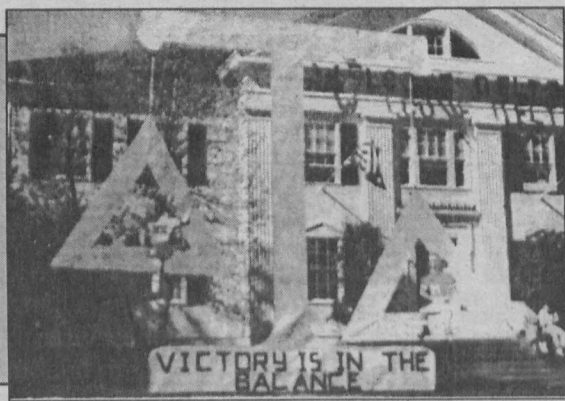
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• March 1, 1951

Even a free press costs money

Student subscriptions to the Maine Campus, at 75 cents each per year, cover about three-fifths of the cost of turning out a year's edition of the paper, according to Campus business manager, Harry Hulley. These payments are made by individual students through their activities fees.

Hulley explained this week that income from advertising carried in the paper takes care of most of the remaining expense of production. Payments for the faculty and outside subscriptions complete the figure, he added.

Student subscriptions for the fall semester, according to a recent statement from the Treasurer's office, totalled slightly more than \$1,300. This represented payments of 37 and

a half cents from each of approximately 3,500 students.

In explaining the financial set-up of the Campus, business manager released the following figures from last year's budget. He explained that the figures were not exact, as they were compiled before the close of the school year last spring.

Total income from activities fee subscriptions was \$3,041.99. This represented approximately 4,050 subscriptions.

Comparison indicates a probable drop of 500 subscriptions this year, with an accompanying drop of about \$375 income.

Faculty and other subscriptions last year added to \$171. This figure was expected to be about the same this year.

Advertising income for last year, according to Hulley, was about \$2,117. A little more advertising is being carried this year, he explained, to cover the increasing costs of paper and production.

Hulley placed the total cost of producing the Campus last year at the approximate figure of \$4,777 for 29 issues, or about \$160 for a single edition.

With a total income close to \$5,330, the Campus thus finished the year with an estimated balance of \$553. This figure was carried over to open the books for this year.

Editors's Note: This is the third in a series of articles describing the use that is made of students' money after it is paid out in various college fees.

• Oct. 4, 1945

Fall registration the highest in three years

At the opening of classes for the Fall Semester on September 25, a total of 1,127 men and women of all classes registered. Of this number, 11 are graduate students, 139 are seniors, 181 are juniors, 263 are sophomores, 460 freshmen, 26 special students, seven two-year agriculture students and 40 five-year nurses.

The enrollement of the freshmen class is the largest it has been since the record enrollment of 1942. On the other end the senior class membership barely tops last year's record low.

The enrollment this year has the greatest number of students since 1942 and this number will increase as more and more men, both former students and new, are released from the Armed Services.

Again Sigma Chi and Delta Tau Delta are being used as dormitories for freshman women. Because of the number of women this fall, two other fraternity houses are also being used. Kappa Sigma holds freshman women and Phi Eta Kappa contains upperclass women.

Upperclass men are living in Phi Gamma Delta, Alpha Tau Omega, and Lambda Chi Alpha and freshmen in Phi Kappa Sigma, S.A.E., the Beta house, Theta Chi, Sigma Nu, North Hall, and part of Hannibal Hamlin Hall. The rest of Hannibal Hamlin Hall and Oak Hall are occupied by the ASTP unit.

Over 200 veterans have returned this fall, many of them being former students of the University of Maine.

This fall sees the resumption of the two semester plan which was superseded by the accelerated program during wartime. The fall semester's schedule includes a vacation from Dec. 14 to Jan. 2 with final exams coming in the first week of February, 1946.

• Oct. 12, 1950

Tuition upped to \$30; Plan to swell faculty

Your grandfather didn't have it so good ... but he had it cheaper.

This year at the U. of M. there are approximately 3,550 students, 320 teaching faculty, and a library inventory of 240,000 books — roughly one teacher and 737 books for 11 students.

When grandpa went to the University, 50 years ago, things were different. The 1900-1901 catalog lists 385 students, 18,000 bound volumes in the library and a faculty of 19 professors, three assistant professors, three instructors, seven tutors and seven visiting lecturers (one of whom, Charles Hamlin of Bangor, used to jounce out here on the trolley once a week for the sole purpose of delivering a "Lecture on Insolvency."

A little mathematics shows that the

student-teacher ratio was about the same then as now, but, instead of the ratio of 737 books per 11 students which prevails now, grandpa and his colleagues had only 517 books per 11 students.

However, any satisfaction which might be derived from this apparent growth of academic advantage to today's student is somewhat offset by the following table quoted from the 1900-1901 catalog:

Annual Student Expenses

Tuition, 2 terms at \$15.....	\$30
Registration fee, 2 terms at \$5....	\$10
Incidentals, 2 terms at \$10.....	\$20
Laboratory fees, average about....	\$8
Text-books, about.....	\$15
Board, 34 weeks at \$3.....	\$102
Heat and light for half room, and general care of dormitory, about....	\$15

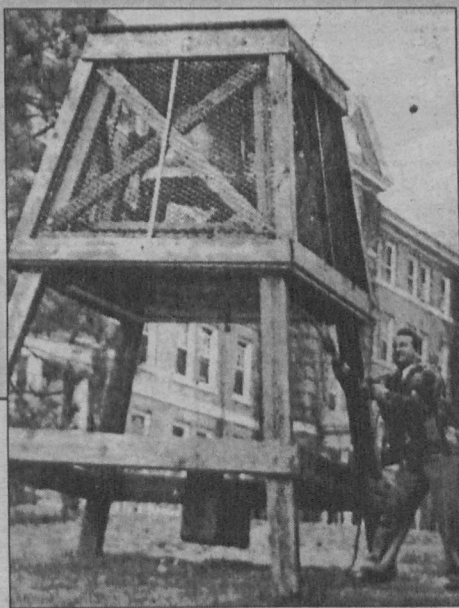
Total.....\$200

The catalog goes on to say that "I should be noticed that clothing, travelling, vacation, society and personal expenses are not included in the tab. These vary according to individual tastes and habits."

But we can get some idea of the cost of clothing from the listed cost of the cadet uniform, a gorgeous blue coat with gold braid and white duck trousers (summer), prescribed by the trustees. Prices were as follows: blouse \$7; cloth trousers (light blue, winter) \$5; three pairs of duck trousers \$3; cap \$1.50; three pairs of gloves 60 cents; three belts 30 cents; total \$17.40

You can buy a pair of pants for \$17.40 today. But with or without pants you have more books to read.

A LOOK INTO THE PAST



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Opinion / Editorial

• Nov. 10, 1966

Crooked landlords through the ages

By Peter S.T. Taber

Across the bridge, in the miniature metropolis of Orono, there are those who live far from the warmth, comfort, and cheer of the dormitory system. Those who wage a never-ending battle in the fight against cold, starvation, and crooked landlords.

Yes, crooked landlords. Take ours. The libel laws of this land are strict and the penalties are severe, so I'll call ours by another name. How about A. Crook?

Furnished apartment

A. Crook told us this summer that our apartment would be furnished. I guess it is—technically. When we arrived there were three desks: a shattered kitchen table minus one of the leaves, fourteen cinderblocks, and two sheets of pitted plywood.

Then there is an ancient folding couch that looks as if Godzilla teethed on it. And believe me, no little girl could ever unfold this one. It's sneaky and it bites your fingers as it's very very strong.

McKinley wins

The couch has for a mate a great sagging armchair. The springs must have rotted away before the turn of the century. The chair is stuffed with old newspapers ("McKinley Wins By A Landslide!") and lots and lots of

wadded toilet paper. You know, I'd like to do a carbon-14 test of some of the lower layers. Tentative probes have turned up chicken bones. Who knows, there might be the remains of an ancient civilization farther down.

The man to see

We have rarely seen A. Crook. Our dealings have been with his henchman, Mumbles. Mumbles is the man we speak to when we get on the phone to ask for repairs. He's the man we speak to a week later when nothing has been done. He's the man we speak to a month later when still nothing has been done. And then, of course, once a month we pay him the rent. Mumbles may or may not have teeth. Perhaps it's only his fingers or the spectacle arm he keeps jammed in his mouth when he speaks. Whatever the technique, it's damned effective.

"Gee, Mr. Mum-Hicks, the hot water won't turn off, the toilet has been overflowing for the past two weeks, and there are baby rats in the walls. Can you send a man down?"

A real letdown

Since the beginning of the year my bed has periodically given me a real letdown by folding up in the middle. I have reinforced it with strips of plywood (sawn off one of the desk tops) and hundreds of nails. I've tried using great lashings of picture hanging wire. Everything has failed. Finally about two weeks ago I dis-

mantled the frame, put it away, and settled what was left of the bed on the floor.

Then I called up Mumbles to see about getting a new bed. Fat chance! A few nights-of-sleeping-on-the-floor later, I decided to try a fresh approach. Begging and pleading had always failed to get anything done; so had veiled threats and stern words. On a couple of occasions A. Crook had sent us Sonny, a local village idiot, but Sonny could only diagnose — not cure. He was very helpful in telling us that the broken window was broken and the leaking

toilet was leaking, but that was all. I decided I would do the old Brer Rabbit bit.

Nightly comfort

"Hello, Mr. Hicks. You know that bed I told you about? Well, I don't expect you've done anything about it. But that's all right. I'll go right on sleeping on the floor. Don't mind me at all. In fact, I rather enjoy sleeping on the floor. It's so nice and comfortable, especially on cold nights."

Well, almost two weeks have passed and I'm still sleeping on the floor. I think he believed me.

• Feb. 23, 1961

Columnists targeted

By Judith Ohr

Slamo, there goes the door. In barges a disturbed senior.

"Boy am I mad. We paid twenty-seven dollars activity fee for our I.D.s and couldn't get into the game. They were selling tickets to outsiders, too. That's stealing our money. They can't do that! Judy, I want you to write something about it next week."

Another girl comes up in lunch-line and says "Why don't you write something about how awful the food is?" Another says "Some of us were talking together the other day and we want you to write about how terrible the guys dress." Still another student, a married vet, suggests "Why doesn't someone in the paper write about the reaction of married students to the high rent area recently built to replace South Apartments?"

Suddenly I realized that the student paper isn't meeting its obligation to the student body. We and WORO are the only two arteries of communication on campus, yet both of us are represented by a fraction of a percent of the students. This page that you are reading now, expresses the personal opinions of the same three or four writers every week. We receive no more than two or three letters a week, and yet, Thursday-

night and Friday morning there are pros and cons buzzing all over campus concerning Lee, Ron, Paul, and myself.

The purpose of the paper was stated early in the year by our editor but maybe it would be wise to restate it here. This is your paper, your twelve pages, advertisements directed to you, your front pages and sports section. This is also your voice. We write our columns to entertain, certainly; to stimulate, possibly, to enlighten, maybe. We want you to read us, sure, but we don't beg you to agree with us. We've all written columns that students have opposed. Last week, I was told I was losing friends because of my column. If a friend is won or lost on an opinion, he's not much of a pal!

The Kinki Press at Kinki University in Japan tops its front page with "All the news without fear or favor." The Campus feels that way too, as any staff member will tell you. Our editorial page is open to you and your opinions without fear or favor also. The editorial editor has written before that we appreciate and tolerate all opinions.

Do you see what I am driving at? Paul, Lee, Ron, and I can only write the way we feel. We can't express your sentiments. This is your paper, open to your ideas. Use it.

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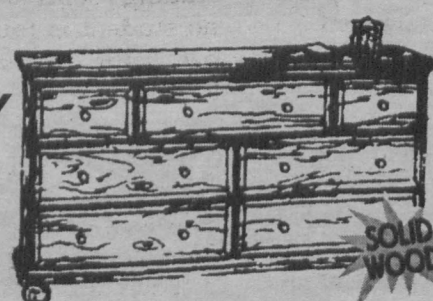
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Style & Arts

• Jan. 21, 1937

Pale Blue Key sponsors novel

By Virginia Hall
Campus Reporter

To him who believes that Maine is a simple, quiet, unsophisticated little school, let it be known that his educational institution has been in danger for several days of having to install a permanent nightclub — the result of a temporary sample displayed Friday night.

And who would have suspected the *Pale Blue Key's* sanctioning the metamorphosis of their Memorial Gymnasium? Yet, Maine students, with the air of night club connoisseurs, sat there nonchalantly at blue and gold tables, in groups of four, actually—and very calmly—writing on table cloths! Or sipping sparkling red liquid in a blase manner!

White-coated ushers, with sophisticated dignity, escorted some 100 couples to their reserved tables, returning occasionally to receive orders for Maine cocktails, sandwiches, or ice cream, before members of the Exclusive Club should start dancing again to Lou Kyer's music whose orchestra signs, with their colorful lights, flickered as gaily as entrance-signs to any cabaret.

At intermissions, all club patrons pushed back their chairs and

watched a floor show. And there were due surprises when they found members from their midst with unmistakable talents as night club entertainers. Neil Sawyer, Mal Jennings, and Earl Carlson, rising Beta rhythm-trio, revived the old favorite, "Organ Grinder's Swing," with a snappy new arrangement. Our newly discovered campus crooner, Conrad MacDowell, sang "Chapel in the Moonlight" and "Pennies from Heaven." A feminine rival of Fred Astaire, Miss Florence Laplante of Old Town, did intricate toe and heel taps on a floor almost as dangerously smooth. But even blase night-club connoisseurs can have the happy faculty of versatile interests, as the patrons proved when they vociferously applauded a less sophisticated entertainment—Arland Meade and his red shirted hill billies playing some of the simpler melodies including "Carry Me Back to Old Virginy." A spotlight — with prizes to the couple in the lucky spot followed.

Maine students' gay nonchalance in the first campus night club in seven years and the long tables filled with faculty guests, as well as chaperons, were ample evidence that the "Maine Club" needed no excuse for being.

• Oct. 7, 1948

Fall fashion show is staged

The first fashion show of the season, Fall Fashions and Futures, was presented last Thursday evening in the Little Theatre by the Home Economics Department. Miss Olive Berry, college and career stylist for the Simplicity Pattern Company, was in charge of the showing.

Miss Berry presented this fall's styles and discussed the ways they should be worn. She also showed various accessories which add style to smart clothes.

The models displayed a variety of costumes for every occasion, including campus classic, future executive, career girl, cover girl, evening glitter, and off-to-work styles.



Home Ec Mannikins, Lorraine Littlefield, Dottie Powers, Nancy Whiting and Peggy Flint. (Newhall photo.)

• Dec. 5, 1923

Library not a social center

Students are using the University Library for studying this fall, according to the Librarian. The reporter was amazed at such a statement.

"But the traditions—" he stammered.

"The tradition that study hours be used for social chats and "dates" has been abandoned," the other told him calmly. "If you don't believe it, just look around."

He did, and saw every student plying away at a book instead of whispering hysterically to someone near.

"Many books are being used," the Librarian continued, "and the stacks, which are accessible to everyone

without restrictions of any kind, are being frequented a great deal. The reading rooms are used as well, and no student is found as a rule, who has come to make the Library a social center. Among the books that are being called for the most often are those used in the departments of Education, Philosophy, History and Sociology. All of these have large numbers on reserve."

There are over 70,000 volumes of books and periodicals and 21,000 pamphlets in the Library. A reading room in the basement contains several of the important daily and weekly newspapers.



This photo originally ran on Feb. 10, 1966.

• May 4, 1961

Steiners go on way

by Frank Morrison

Well, the feeling of Spring must have really hit the Maine campus! Bermudas, tennis rackets, suntan lotion, and other sundry items have been dug out of trunks and closets. Thoughts of Bar Harbor and lazy hours in the sun fill the air. Even the Maine Steiners have felt this breath of Spring. They've made the big step and have decided to cut a record. Some say that it's about time, too.

The Steiners hope to have 45rpm extended play record albums on sale and around the Maine campus by May 21. The album will include five of the Steiner's favorite songs.

With the help of a local Bangor radio station, the Steiners have already made the master tape, under quality controlled studio conditions. Director George Blouin made sure that each number achieved its proper dynamics.

• Feb. 2, 1967

Spoonful provide Schuss-music

by Terry McCann

The name of the game has changed, as the winter weekend of frolic goes "big-time." This year, Schussboomer Weekend has been decreed the official designation, replacing the tried and true "Winter Carnival."

The weekends Schuss-music will again reach away from the usual folk styles, as the world of jazz invades campus, with a bit of "rock" for teenybopper factions. The

bit rock consists of a spoonful — the "Lovin' Spoonful" to be exact. As the Nashville Cats depart, starting at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Stan Getz and Thelonious Monk roll in for a musical confrontation with a Sunday afternoon concert.

The "Lovin' Spoonful" are no strangers to record and radio fans. They have consistently hit the top of the nation's charts, with songs like "Rain on the Roof" and "Did You Ever Have to Make Up Your Mind."

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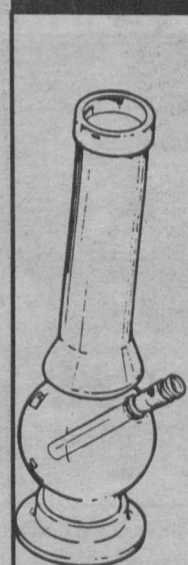
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Black Bear Sports

• Sept. 28, 1961

Soccer team started

by Bill Smullen

Soccer, an infant sport at the University, has definitely attracted the attention of many male students on campus this fall. This interest was stirred up, in part, by Silas Dunklee, the newest member of the athletic coaching staff.

Dunklee, a graduate of the University of New Hampshire in 1949, has been teaching and coaching at Kents Hill prep school for the past seven years. Skiing, track and cross country were his major coaching sports at this institution. He came to Maine with no actual coaching experience with soccer; however, his newly initiated program with our new sport has added much to the athletic activities at Maine.

NEARLY 35 MEN

Each afternoon on the new improvised soccer field, which covers part of the frosh baseball diamond, nearly 35 men report to practice at various times and in various uniforms.

More than half of these students

are freshmen using the sport in place of their physical education classes.

The prime objective this year is to teach the fundamentals of the game, such as the various kicks, the rules of the game and simply combinations of plays.

A scrimmage is held almost every day to put these fundamentals to use.

GAMES NEXT YEAR

As for the future of soccer, Coach Dunklee reported that he hopes to set up two or three game schedule next year with such teams as Bowdoin, Bates and Colby. Some of the better prep schools in the state are possibilities for practice games.

The University Athletic Committee has definitely approved a frosh and varsity schedule for 1964. Work has already begun on one and possibly two new fields at the north end of the football stadium.

Although both the team and Dunklee are experiencing "growing pains," it appears that within two or three years, the students of Maine will be provided even further athletic entertainment.

• April 20, 1992

Gambling ring busted

by Chad Finn
Sports Writer

Forty University of Maine students, including 19 student-athletes, are being investigated for illegal gambling activities on campus, UMaine officials announced Friday.

An investigation by the University of Maine Public Safety Department that included the search of dorm rooms in Androscoggin and Oxford Halls found an extensive gambling records dating back at least on full semester.

"Our search revealed significant amounts of gambling records indicating gambling to the tune of \$3-10,000 a week," R. Christopher Almy, the Penobscot County district attorney said.

Alan Reynolds, Director of the University of Maine Public Safety Department, said the investigation is continuing and charges could be brought against the students allegedly running the operation. The gambling reportedly involves betting on "NCAA play-offs and professional sports," according to Reynolds. Apparently no betting was done on UMaine games.

Thirteen of the 19 student-athletes allegedly involved in gambling are members of the UMaine baseball team, while the other six are Black Bear foot-

ball players. All have been suspended indefinitely from participating in athletics by the university, pending further investigation into the matter.

UMaine officials refused to list any of the individuals in connection with the ring, but affidavits filed in third District Court in Bangor in conjunction with the search warrants named Edward P. Rudolph and Samuel Yates, both of Oxford Hall, as two of the prime suspects in the operation. Neither Rudolph nor Yates is a UMaine athlete.

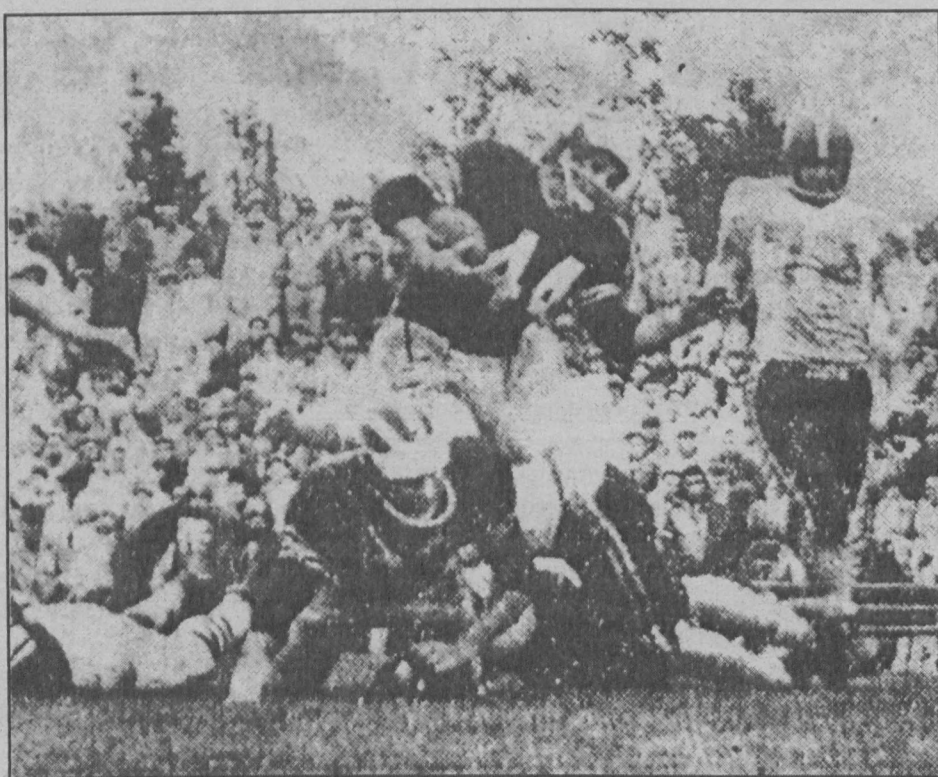
However, Rudolph's roommate, first-year baseball pitcher Frank Barresi is, and an investigation of the two rooms in Oxford revealed betting records, cash, notes, phone numbers and computer equipment, according to the search warrants.

The affidavit also states police were first informed of the gambling operation by redshirt first-year football receiver Warren Bennett, who had previously been arrested for forgery and for negotiating a worthless instrument.

Bennett was reportedly being investigated for forgery, and was in debt to Rudolph for thousands of dollars. According to the affidavit, "Mr. Bennett at one time had owed Mr. Rudolph approximately \$9,300 and signed a written contract with payment schedule for Mr. Rudolph."

• Nov. 11, 1954

Football wins title



LET GO, WILL YA! — The field was wet, the skies were mourning, and the audience was soaked, but the elements failed to stop the viscious, Maine attack shown here with Dick Pottle (60) leading the interference for an unidentified Maine back trying to shake off a Rhode Island tackler.

by Paul Ferrying

The University of Maine football squad, recovering from an early deficit, opened up its powerful machinery and swept to a 27-13 victory over Bowdoin to annex their second consecutive State Series crown before 8,500 fans at Whittier Field in Brunswick last Saturday.

In recording the win, Maine captured their 20th State crown in a series dating back to 1895. It is only the eighth time in the long and glorious rivalry that a team has captured the title two years in succession.

The last time was back in 1935-36-37 when Bowdoin was able to turn the trick. However, twice, in 1947-48 and 1950-51, the Black Bears tied for the crown one year and won it the next.

An upset appeared in the making in

last Saturday's contest, as the old State Series jinx which frowns upon any team winning the title more than one year at a time, hung over crowded Whittier Field.

Early in the first quarter with Maine in possession of the ball, quarterback Jim Duffy, who played a masterful ball game, in attempting to pitch out to Johnny Edgar, threw the ball wildly past the fleet right half-back.

Edgar raced back to his own twenty and pounced on the bobbing pigskin, but the ball squirted out of his hands and Steve McCabe of Bowdoin fell on it.

After three unsuccessful tries at the solid Maine forward wall, Bowdoin quarterback Dick Drenzek flipped a wobbly pass into the end zone which fell into the hands of end Don Roux for a score. Roux's attempt for the point was wide and Bowdoin led, 6-0.

• Jan. 12, 1967

Men's basketball questioned

by Darrell French

The University of Maine in the near future will face a question of importance, an answer to which will decide the fate of basketball success in coming years for the Black Bears.

At the present time, recruiting of any kind, whether of athletic or academic scholarships is not granted to coaches in any sport here at Maine. In basketball, this definitely may

prove to be fatal.

It is possible that unless the University begins recruiting two, three, or even four frontcourt basketball players, fans at Memorial Gymnasium will be doomed to observing continual Maine losses in Yankee Conference play.

Absurd as this prediction may sound today, although the Black Bears are doing well for an inexperienced team, a look at the rest of the Yankee Conference teams and their building programs for the future cast shadows of doubt on Maine's future.

The basketball players from Maine are on a par with any in the country, but one element of success is denied them, the lack of height. When a player like Harrington from Bath comes along, he is grabbed up by out-of-state teams offering full scholarships.

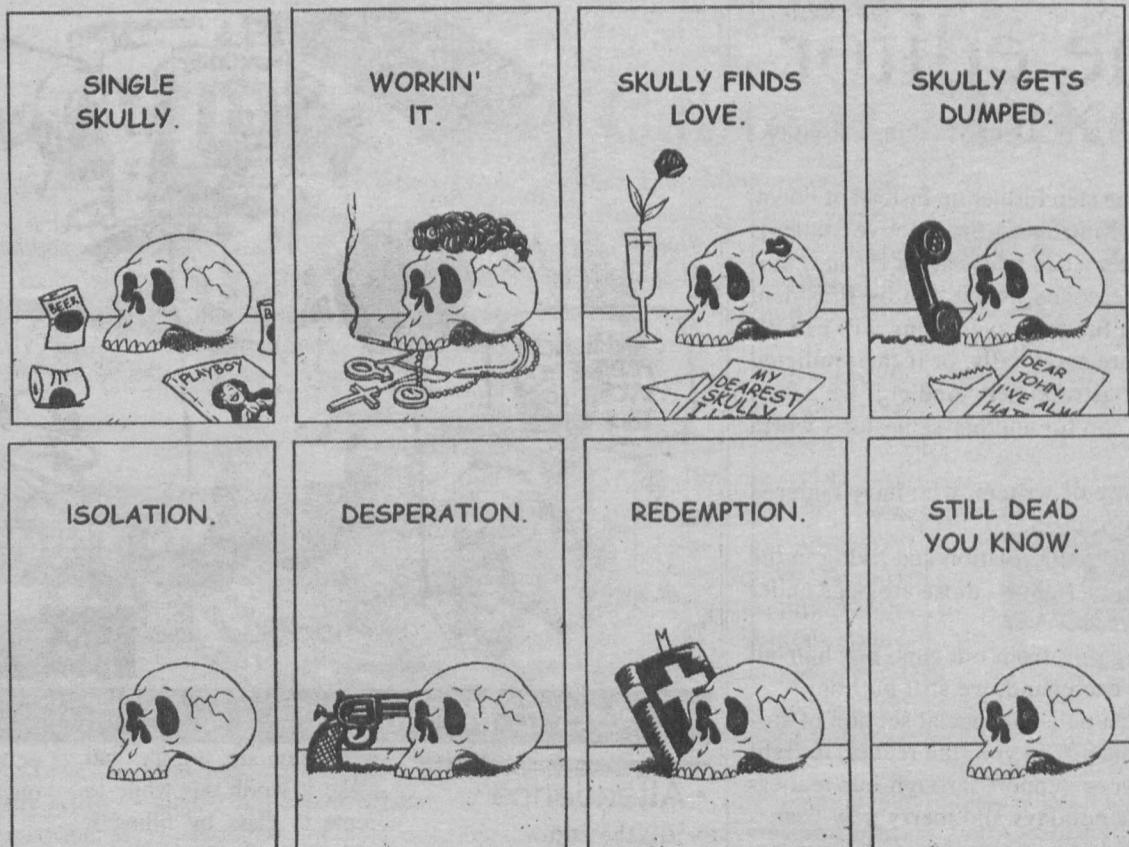
Give the Maine athlete the two big men on the court to get all those important rebounds and Maine will have need to fear no one. Does the thought of two basketball scholarships a year really tear at the spirit of Puritanism which many admire in the Maine athletic system?



Members of the physical education department's gymnastic classes are currently engrossed in fun games like this "caterpillar." Sam Sezak explains, "This is how we keep our boys entertained. We try to have fun."

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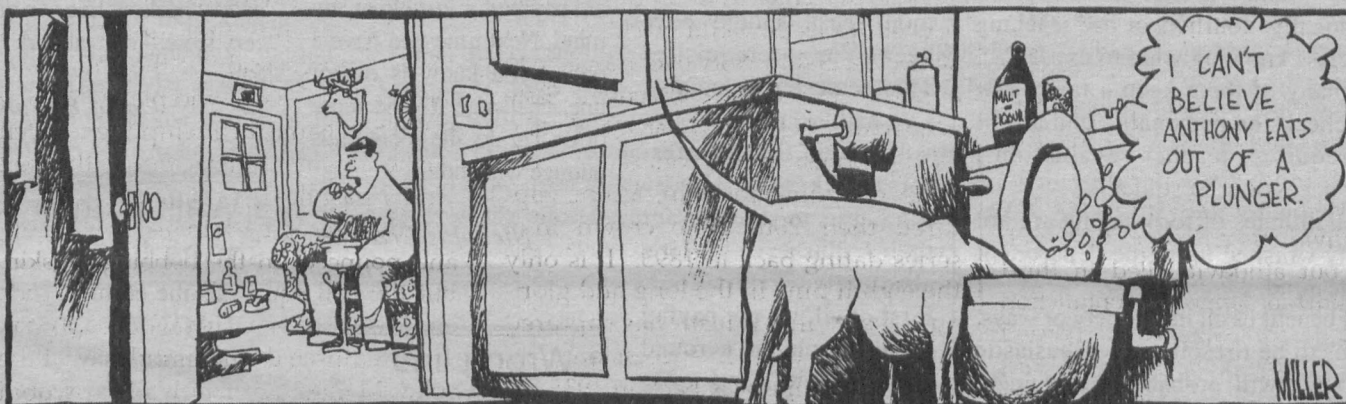


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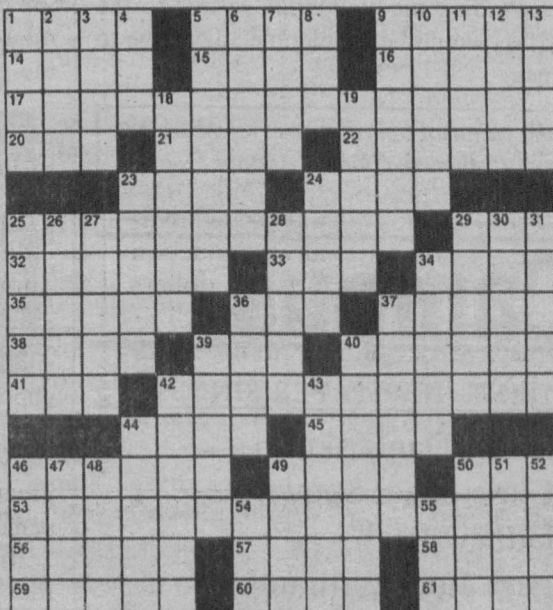
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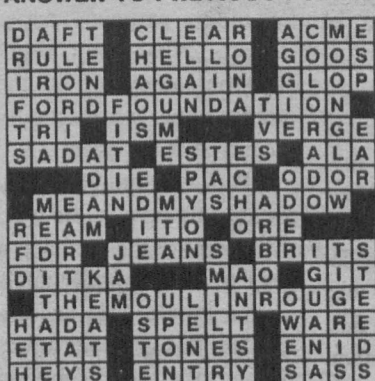
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EDITORIAL

Letter from the editor

As the coming of the new year approaches us here at ol' U. of M., things are looking good, relatively speaking.

In 1999, a lot has happened to bring the campus one step further up instead of down.

The University of Maine is on the move, attracting more prospective students every year. There is concern, of course, about where we can house all of the new students, but, if we can expect a resolution as well-reasoned as the one by President Peter Hoff concerning the distribution of Coca-Cola funding, everything will be OK.

If the Y2K computer bug doesn't freeze us before snow falls, or if the predicted solar flares don't shut down earth's power (as some astronomers predict if we're not cautious), then The Maine Campus will be back on top for another semester's worth of information gathering and reporting.

This semester we have been blessed with an army of writers, who have endured through to the end, combatting stress, fatigue and criticism.

Sometimes the editors look like zombies from sleep deprivation and living in the office more than at their homes. No, we all weren't in a fight — those are bags under our eyes.

And while we drag to class with cigarettes dragging from our lips, our hair all ruffled up or with a cup of extra strength coffee in each hand, we still pull on.

Inside today's issue, as you may have noticed, is a pull-out special section of stories that ran in the past 100 years or so. We offer this gift to you, the reader, in light of the holiday spirit. Thank you for your letters, your support through our readers survey and for all the constructive criticism. Happy holidays and merry new year.

Reveal the evaluations

Almost all University of Maine students have, at one point or another, registered for a class with a certain instructor — and regretted it. The reason may be incompatible teaching styles, personality conflicts or bad teaching style. At any rate, wouldn't it be relaxing to go to a class knowing what to expect?

There are so many instructors on campus, and many of them keep a fairly low profile. We can't be expected to do full background checks on personality and teaching techniques. Fortunately, the university requires teacher evaluations. Unfortunately, the results of the evaluations are not accessible to students.

What is keeping us from believing that our fifteen minutes of form filling are not in vain? We don't know if the forms are immediately whisked up to the department head who promptly files them — out of sight, out of mind.

If students were able to access these results, it could benefit us all in a variety of ways.

When 15 out of 20 students evaluate an instructor to be tiresome, unenthusiastic and full of useless information, then his or her course will probably be avoided. Having their course under such scrutiny by the people who matter most, the students, would heighten the instructors attention to detail and to their method of teaching.

Accessibility would also increase the relevancy and credibility of the evaluations. They would become resources for careful semester planning — aiding in the student success rate. This would be quite the opposite of the evaluation's present meaning, which is only that we get out of class earlier.

Ultimately, this process seems laborious if we, as students, can not see our opinion making a difference. If a professor receives a raise from some compliments, it doesn't help us. What would help us is offering archives of previous students opinions so we can use each other as references. Adding the evaluation results to the UMaine Web site, or more privately to FirstClass would be a welcome advantage to the student body, especially incoming freshmen.

Editorials are the opinions of and written by the editorial board, whose members are Stanley Dankoski, Matthew Paul, Joshua Nason, Catherine Guinon, Andrea Page, Debra Hatch, Caleb Raynor and Grant Sarber.

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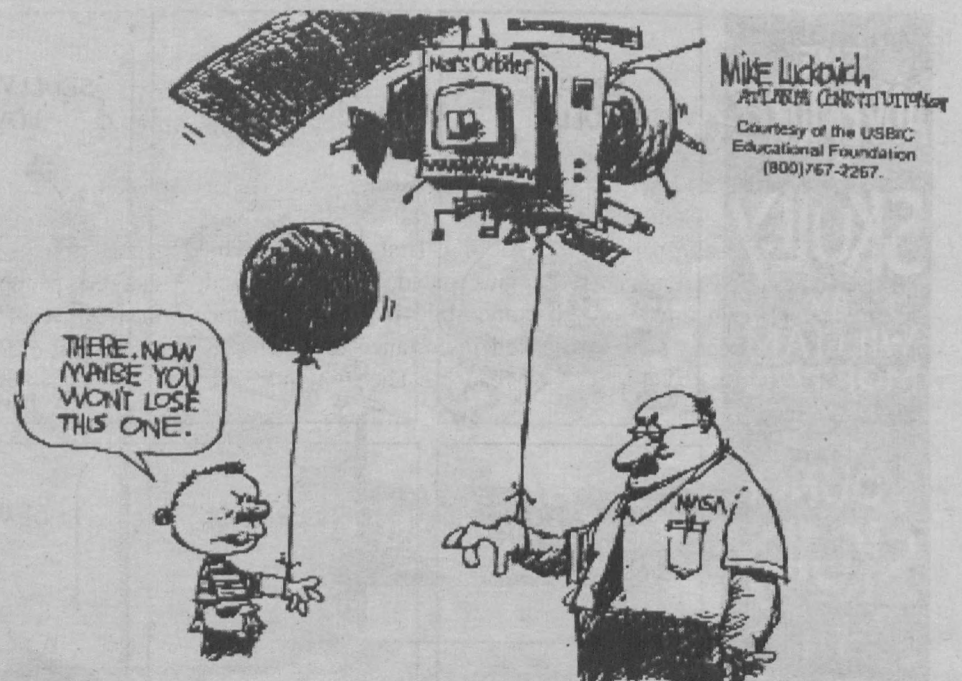
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• Letters to the Editor

• Attendance

To the editor:

How many classes have we had here at college where afterward we realized that a basic understanding of common sense should have been the prerequisite? This semester especially, I've had too many.

Who do these professors think they are by forcing us to show up for their classes — it's absolutely ridiculous. First of all, we are paying these people in a round about way to stand up in front of us and hopefully teach us something. After being in school for over 12 years, we all now have the ability to distinguish who is doing a good job and who is not, and the students that are not able to make good use of their time are obviously suffering during the grading period.

It's a patronizing feeling when I would be able to just show up for test days, and get a B or better, but then receive a C overall because I wasn't in class for the ever-so-important lecture. We should have a right to choose whether or not we should spend our time in a given classroom on any given day and not be penalized for it directly.

If I could show up for four classes a semester and still get a B or better in the class, I decipher this to mean that I probably didn't need to attend this class and that it was a mere formality of my curriculum.

Of course not all classes are like this because we do have good teachers on this campus. My opinion on this matter is for these other "educators", and we know

who they are, to try and make it worth our while to come to class by filling it with challenging information we would not otherwise receive, thus making us feel that we need to be there. The fact that someone can tell me how to spend the time that I am paying for just blows my mind. Next time you have a policy you know is out of line, challenge it. The more of us that do, the sooner this outrage will end.

Nicholas Charron,
Orono

• Wrong line

To the editor:

I am writing in response to the article "Eslinger turned down for GSS position" in the Dec. 15 issue. The meeting in question was my last meeting as a senator due to graduation. In my two terms as a senator I have never seen worse coverage of a senate meeting. I am appalled at the way Matthew Paul covered the GSS debate over Ryan Eslinger's nomination. The article is so full of misquotes, misrepresentation, conveniently left out statements by those individuals involved in the debate, and so slanted that this article should be in the tabloids.

I used to have faith that The Maine Campus reported accurate information on the events that they cover. I have lost that faith and now understand that Maine's campus paper reports what they think will be interesting to the reader rather than what actually occurred at the event.

Paul is definitely guilty of abusing power. He used his power of the media as a tool to slander individuals in the article. He accomplished this grievous atrocity mostly by misquoting

people and taking quotes out of context.

I hope that Paul is ashamed of himself. He made good people look very bad in depicting the Eslinger debate. I look forward to reading Paul's work in the future, while waiting in the checkout line at a grocery store — in a tabloid.

David E. Cahn,
Orono

• Walk in their shoes first

To the editor:

I must say I was extremely aggravated when I read the poorly written, absurd letter by Anthony King in the Wednesday, Dec. 15, edition of The Maine Campus. As a reporter for the paper, I must say that his comments were totally out of line.

Possibly if King had backed up his remarks with specific examples rather than crude generalizations the letter may have had some merit.

More time goes into producing and writing The Maine Campus than King could possibly fathom, and it takes incredible dedication to put out a paper three times a week with little pay and a small budget.

If King has a problem with our paper then he shouldn't be hiding behind a letter to the editor. Possibly he should pick up a pen, try covering an event on campus and submit it. Maybe King can help our "ridiculous reporting" style and create something other than "childish ridiculous articles." If not, he should keep his comments to himself.

Kelly Michaud,
Penobscot Hall

OPINION

• Got Dank?

A mystery of The Maine Campus

While going through old issues of The Maine Campus, I am left fascinated by how the newspaper has changed over the past century.

I am also overwhelmed at how a decade in our early history may have been lost.

In a race against time and deadlines, I went to the special collections department of Fogler Library to search for the first issue.

At the top of every Page One of recent Maine Campus issues, we proclaim we are the University of Maine newspaper since 1875. But are we really?

The first issue of what was then called The Campus was published in late 1899. On the front page of this bi-monthly issue was an explanation of how the paper came into existence.

In 1885, a monthly journal called The Cadet started as a publication for the Maine State College audience, who were mostly in the military. The Cadet was simply a record of history. It was all text. The graphics, if any

at all, were usually drawings of someone's head.

As the first issue of The Campus stated, The Cadet had become stale in its stories and lacked importance to its changing readers. The

\$84 less than the current price tag.

In one section of the 1965 centennial edition a writer explained that the newspaper started more than 90 years before then. That comes out to 1875.

The Campus started in 1899, and The Cadet started in 1885. In what I have found so far, there was no newspaper or journal or any student publication of similar kind between 1875 and

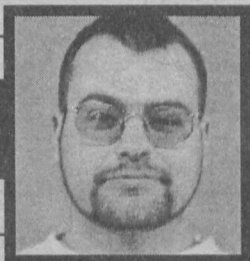
1885. A publication called the College Reporter ceased to exist in 1874.

When we come back in the year 2000, the mystery will hopefully be solved. When we do solve it, I'll be sure to let you all know.

Although this may only be a minor misprint, the date of the beginning of this newspaper is another area where we try to dig for the truth. It is simply our duty to fulfill the obligation to set the records straight.

Stanley Dankoski is a senior journalism major and also the editor in chief of The Maine Campus.

By Stanley Dankoski



college was geared less toward the military and was expanding its fields of majors and departments.

At the turn of the 19th century, The Campus turned the school around with timely stories, fiction appealing to the masses and updates about who did what when. The Campus highly encouraged feedback from its readers, who were mostly university alumni.

As the decades passed, The Campus changed along with journalism, from being sensational or detailed in particulars of people's lives to more rigorous reporting on the issues that affect the readership.

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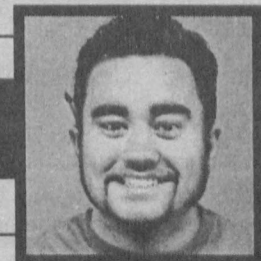
• From the Choppin' Block

Take the quiz and see if you pass ...

Since it's finals time, the last thing anyone wants is another quiz, but I think it may be time. It won't take long and it

In The Maine Campus, which you agree to read, you scan a story regarding a meeting or lecture held recently. Or

By Matthew Paul



consists of two true-false questions. Give it a shot — you may learn something.

One: People who work for newspapers in a writing capacity are bloodless scoundrels, out to wreck the lives of innocent people and tear down the moral infrastructure of society.

Two: Campus newspapers, in general, are trash, not worthy of the paper they are printed on.

If you answered "True" to both scenarios, then like the Emperor in Return of the Jedi, you've failed.

The comments have poured in all semester, ranging from "your paper sucks," to something pertaining to our "rag" being a good source of alternative toilet paper.

Like the defaced paper someone may use for private business, relations between newspapers and the public are going down the toilet.

The problem stems from a difference in philosophies between newspaper employees and the rest of the nation — and it's much easier to see with a campus paper.

These philosophical differences are thrust to the forefront by the fact that a newspaper serves the people as a public forum. Being widely available gives everyone more opportunity to disagree, which is healthy. However, constructive criticism stands to benefit everyone more than an outright insult.

This availability is where a newspaper differs from, say, a biology class.

In a biology class, which you agree to take, you learn that photosynthesis is the process by which plants convert light energy from the sun. Then a professor will throw in a joke about the subject and everyone will laugh, still believing in the facts of photosynthesis.

maybe you read a column containing a few jokes. But, then, unlike the science course, you proceed to question our ethics, even though we've done our best to report facts. We may not be authorities, but we're working on it.

It is not the intent of The Maine Campus to produce falsities that can be found in the checkout line at Shop 'n Save. You may not like what a paper prints, but that doesn't mean it is wrong.

There are so many laws and standards of ethics that Maine Campus employees must adhere to. Whether anyone wants to believe it or not, the people working every day on the fourth floor of Chadbourne Hall are doing their jobs the right way.

That's not to say that The Maine Campus is perfect, because no paper is perfect, let alone a student-run publication. But, we go by what our professors teach us and what we have learned through our experiences in the media.

For someone my age (21), I've seen a lot in the newspaper business through seven years of professional reporting. I'm not the second coming of Ernie Pyle or anything — but I know when things are right and wrong.

Throughout the coming years, The Maine Campus will continue to inform and entertain its readers, whom I would like to thank.

I hope your mind will wander over break and stumble upon one fact — this paper does its best to serve the reader in the most powerful way imaginable: by telling the truth.

Matthew Paul is the city editor of The Maine Campus and wants everyone to take a crack at writing for the paper to find out what it is all about.

• Food for thought

Discrimination at UMaine

Before we all depart on our Christmas vacation and depart from Orono for a month, let me bring up something I was enlightened by the other day. I would like to give everyone, those who read my articles regularly or just happened to see my name and start reading, something to think about over break.

ROTC has been a fixture on this campus for as long as I can remember. I have criticized the unnecessarily overwhelming military presence at the annual Family and Friends Weekends and have in other instances eluded to the fact that I am not the biggest fan of militia as a whole.

However, I was recently made aware of a more touchy and appalling fact about ROTC and the University of Maine in general.

ROTC discriminates against homosexuals. This is very interesting, because the last time I checked the University of Maine applied a nondiscriminatory policy for its students.

I don't know whether I have been living in denial for the past four years or if this is common knowledge, that everyone just accepts. In any case, it is outrageous. I guess I had never really stopped to think about it, but it makes complete sense.

The U.S. military discrimi-

nates against homosexuals and, as a member of it, so does ROTC. That I completely disagree with this notion is beside the point. The point is that ROTC should not be affiliated with the University of Maine if it discriminates because of sexual orientation.

I'm not completely familiar

churches controlling our courses dealing with religion.

I'm not suggesting that the university of Maine initiate a tug-of-war with these powerful institutions. No, it should just rid itself of those who interfere with its policies. ROTC interferes with the university's policies, so they

should kindly be invited to take their discriminatory practices elsewhere.

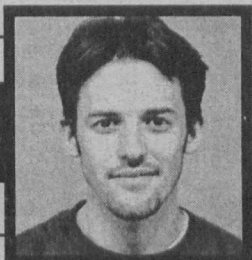
I am well aware that I'm setting

myself up for massive criticism by members of ROTC. I would like to point out though, that this is in no way directed against any student who is currently enrolled in the program. I am simply pointing out the injustices the entire system tolerates.

Maybe we should think about this topic over break, just to give us some time to digest this hefty issue. I'm sure this presents plenty of thinking material. And I'm sure it will come up again next semester.

Nikolaus Halter is a senior history major.

By Nikolaus Halter



with the workings of any department besides mine, but does the engineering or the English department adhere to the same practices? Of course not, and why should we allow for any department, in whichever way it is connected to the university, to discriminate?

In this way, the U.S. military is infringing on the rights of homosexual students at the UMaine and this is not acceptable.

Why does the military code override that of our university?

Outside institutions in general should not be able to have so much influence on our university. MBNA should in no way have any say in the university's affairs and we don't see organized

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STYLE & ARTS



• Style contest

Dorm rooms show creativity, style of students

By Andrea Page
Maine Campus staff

Living spaces are often considered a reflection of the types of people who occupy them. Choices of decorations and furniture, how the space is used, and how everything is arranged can tell you so much about people's personalities.

Keeping this in mind, The Maine Campus Style & Arts section held an open contest to students living on campus to show us how creative they are with their dorm rooms. We chose two rooms, one in Androscoggin and one in Balentine, to feature today. Here are the results of the first annual dorm room contest.

Meet Trent Krummel and Paul Melrose — their dorm room, 207 Androscoggin, shows their creativity and interests. Both guys are second-year engineering students and to find ways to unwind from their busy course schedules they designed a room that would be perfect for relaxing and having a great time.

The rooms in Androscoggin are fairly small rooms, but Krummel and Melrose have made the most of their space. Walking in you can see a comfortable sofa on the left, desks with matching black leather chairs against the large window, and bunked beds on the right. With their TV and stereo system also taking up space in the room, there is no closet space left for these guys, but Krummel said it is really no problem.

These guys claim, in fact, everyone comes to their room to hang out, and they have to go to the study lounge to get any studying done.

The truly unique thing about their room is the decorations. Their theme centers around their love for cars — they have many miniature cars around the room as well as the front of a Jeep hanging on the wall above the couch. Krummel hopes to hook up headlights to this in the future. Also interesting in their room is a wall dedicated to Absolut ads — very cool.

The other dorm room winner was Kelli Moore, a second-year accounting student, who lives in 209 Balentine Hall. She lives in a double-single tucked away in the halls of Balentine.

On first entering her room, the only word that could be expressed was "Wow." Her room was so spacious and she used the space well. The best part was probably how she arranged her furniture.

She has a solid wood loft, under which she has a sofa giving her plenty of room for having friends over. She also has an inflatable blue chair for visitors as well as a coffee table to display her numerous magazines.

The beauty of her room is in the light that can come in — she has two huge windows which really make her room shine. Compete with beautiful curtains, the windows really warm her room.

Turning toward her closets, she has set up a kitchen station. She has a large dorm fridge, microwave and many dishes. With these enormous walk-in closets she has space for everything.

Moore also has room for a stair-step exercise machine, stereo, TV and VCR, and computer.

Besides the furniture, Moore has deco-

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Kelli Moore sits back in her Balentine dorm room Tuesday. (Caleb Raynor photo.)



Trent Krummel and Paul Melrose chill in their room this week. (Scott Shelton photo.)

• On video

Classic movies capture holiday cheer

By David B. Hall
For the Maine Campus

As the commercials proclaim, "It's that time of year again." Christmas. And with that announcement comes something that people love and people hate. That being the same old Christmas specials and movies shown year after year.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus, and he's on every channel during the month of December. But while Christmas specials enlighten the soul and fill the heart, this article will cover strictly Christmas movies. Sorry to the millions of people out there who cannot wait until Kathy Lee Gifford has her ooey, gooey Christmas special and sings to hundreds of 8-year-old children who work in her sweat shops 16 hours a day for 32 cents a day with no bathroom breaks.

This article is strictly for those Christmas movies that no matter how many times are on during the season for giving and no matter how many times you have already seen them, you will watch them religiously.

Scooged (1988): OK, everyone

knows the Charles Dickens tale "A Christmas Carol," and everyone has seen at least six different versions, but this Bill Murray attempt brings the story out of 19th century London and to the 1980s yuppie-me decade. The Al Green-Annie Lenox duet in the movie will be dancing in your head until Groundhog's Day.

It's a Wonderful Life (1946): There isn't a person alive that has not seen at least some part of this movie, and everyone at one point in their lives has said, "No, it's not here. It-it's in Joe's house and Fred's house," in their best Jimmy Stewart imitation. When this Frank Capra masterpiece hit the theaters shortly after WWII came to an explosive end, no one in America wanted to see a sappy Christmas movie, and the movie bombed. It bombed so badly that Capra's studio went bankrupt. Today, this movie is now as Christmas as red and green, Santa Claus, Jingle Bells, fruitcakes, chocolate covered cherries and the clapper.

Miracle on 34th Street (1947): Seen as a gamble, because the previous year no one went to see "It's a Wonderful Life," this movie became wildly popular and made

people of all ages believe in Santa Claus again. The best and most enjoyable way to watch this movie is to see it in the original black-and-white format. While Christmas back then was also shameless commercialism, the black-and-white film still gives you that nostalgic, fuzzy feeling.

White Christmas (1954): Starring flamboyant singer-dancer Danny Kaye and legendary crooner Bing Crosby (who can forget that eerie "Drummer Boy" duet with David Bowie), this Irving Berlin heart warmer is about a New England resort that has fallen on hard times due to a lack of snow. Lots of singing and dancing highlight this tale of a Christmas miracle.

National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (1989): Oh, what a great tradition it is when my family watches this highly amusing look into the Griswald's Christmas. Dads everywhere, after watching this film, have turned to their sons and said, "We can decorate this house better than that. Let's go to Wal-Mart. Don't tell your mother." There isn't one good thing

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• Holidays

Christmas time 'round the globe

By Dilynora Azimova
For the Maine Campus

With Christmas approaching, many children and adults are looking forward to a special guest in a red and white gown with a white beard and a sack — Santa Claus. Yet, not many people know the history behind Santa Claus and the various celebrations associated with him in different countries around the world.

Christmas is the most popular holiday in North America and other countries, although history does not explain the exact circumstances that led to the beginning of the Christmas Day. And Santa Claus, usually associated with Christmas, was a real human known to many as St. Nicholas. Most people don't know much about his life, except that he was probably the bishop of Myra in the fourth century.

One of the most popular minor saints commemorated in the eastern and western churches, St. Nicholas is well-known for

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• Hadley's kitchen

Celebrate the season with a tasty feast

By Hadley Lewis
For the *Maine Campus*

Dark December mornings bring visions of sugar plums, turkeys and, in some cultures, radishes. The tradition of a mid-winter celebration is ancient and universal. It carries with it a tradition as rich as eggnog and as varied as fruitcake.

The earliest Christmas celebrations known to occur in the Northern Hemisphere were called Yule, or J1. The origin of the word is disputed. Some scholars say that it comes from the name of the Norse God, Odin. Others say it comes from the Old Norse word for wheel — hjol, signifying that the wheel of the year has come full circle. Yule was originally celebrated with music, dancing and a feast that lasted for days. Further on in history those long days of Yule became to the 12 days of Christmas, called Advent by the Christian church.

Yule food was more practical than symbolic. It capitalized on the foods of the season — often the cellars were full of dried fruits, smoked meats and roots saved from the frost.

Later in the Middle Ages, Christmas acquired a spooky cast. It was during those snowy winter days that the dead were said to walk the earth. Also, on New Years it was rumored that if you looked in a mirror in a pitch-black room you could see the face of the person you were going to marry. The ritual was dependent on your being the only person in the room, and chanting a sacred incantation. Before your beloved appeared you were supposed to see a hand with a knife appear thrice

in the mirror. This hand would slowly morph into an image of your special someone. This creepy feeling still pervades Christmas celebrations in some Hispanic countries. Families flock to graveyard picnics and pay their respects to the dead.

Central to the celebration of Christmas everywhere are special holiday feasts. Each country has dishes served only during the season's feast. And many of those recipes have ancient origins. Here is a menu for a timeless international Christmas dinner.

Wassail

This is based on a recipe from the 12th century:

3 sticks of cinnamon
1 nutmeg, chopped
1/8 cup cloves
2 tablespoons white peppercorns, to taste
pinch of ginger (fresh or not)
1 bottle dark, good red wine
1/4 cup dried cranberries
2 oranges sliced, thickly
1 apple cores and sliced (or quartered)
2 sprigs of fresh rosemary
2-3 tablespoons brown sugar, to taste
Put all the spices in a piece of cheese cloth and tie it up with a piece of string.

Place wine and fruit in a pot.
Add the brown sugar and the spice bag.

Bring to a boil and boil for 5 minutes, covered.

Turn off the heat and let steep 3-5 minutes.

Serve warm but not hot.

English Standing Rib Roast with Yorkshire Pudding

This one will shock your parents and be the center of the meal. It isn't as complicated as it looks. Just make sure to cook the meat thoroughly.

6-7 pound beef rib roast
2 teaspoons thyme
1 teaspoon sage
salt & pepper to taste
pudding
2 cups all-purpose flour
salt
2 eggs
1-1/2 cups milk
1/2 cup cold water
Preheat oven to 325 F.

Stand roast, fat side up, in a shallow roasting pan. Insert a meat thermometer through the fat into the thickest part of the meat.

Roast, uncovered, 2-1/2 hours.

Combine thyme, sage, salt and pepper. Brush roast with some of the drippings from the pan, then rub on the herb mixture.

Roast 1/2-1 hour more until meat thermometer registers 140 F for rare or 160F for medium.

Brush occasionally with the drippings in the pan.

Place roast on a serving platter, covering until serving time.

Increase oven temperature to 425F. Combine the 2 cups flour and salt.

In another bowl, whisk together the eggs, milk and water.

Gradually whisk into the flour mixture until smooth.

Let stand two minutes.

Lightly grease a muffin pan.

Spoon batter into muffin pan.

Bake 30 minutes or until golden brown.

Amish Sugar Cookies

1 cup sugar
1 cup powdered sugar
1 cup butter
1 cup oil
2 eggs

Mix the first batch of ingredients together in a bowl.

1 tsp vanilla

1 tsp salt

1 tsp cream of tartar

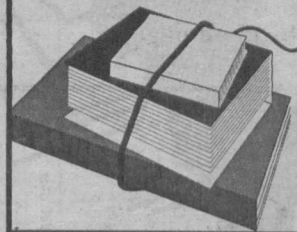
1 tsp baking soda

4 1/2 cups flour

Now mix together the second batch.

Blend both batches together. This keeps the cookies from rising too quickly. Chill about an hour in the refrigerator or windowsill. Flour your hands, then shape dough into balls and place on cookie sheet. Flatten with the bottom of chilled glass dipped in sugar. Sprinkle with colored sugar. Bake at 350F until edges are golden.

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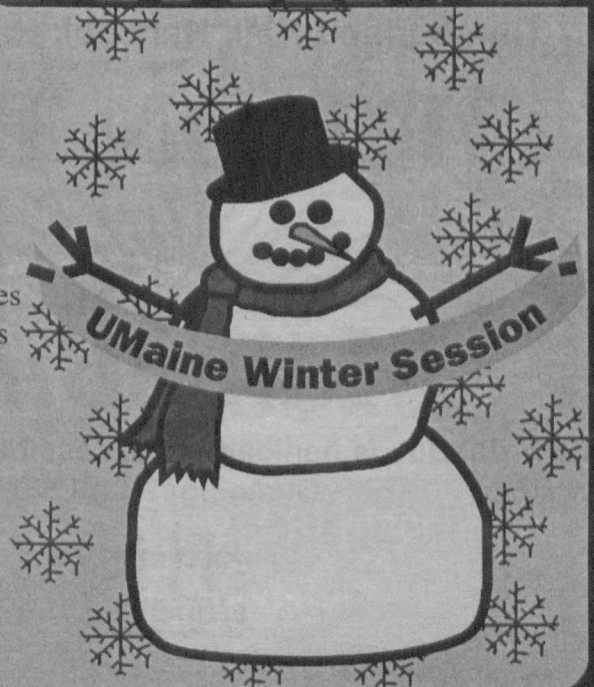
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Christmas

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his generosity, kindness and miracles directed towards the poor and unhappy.

People say he gave marriage dowries of gold to three poor girls, who otherwise would not have been able to marry because of their poverty. St. Nicholas is the chief saint in Russia and Greece, and is commemorated by charitable fraternities, children, sailors, unmarried girls and merchants.

Many churches were dedicated to him; Roman emperor Justinian I built a church at Constantinople (modern day Istanbul, Turkey). However, after the Reformation, people stopped worshipping St. Nicholas in European Protestant countries, except Holland, where he remained as Sinterklaas.

The word Sinterklaas was assimilated and became known as Santa Claus in North America, when Dutch colonists brought their traditions to New Amsterdam (now New York City) in the 17th century.

Americans adopted Santa Claus and associated him with a benevolent and kind man who punished naughty kids and gave gifts to good children. Since the 19th century, Santa Claus has become a gift-giving figure at Christmas in North America and other countries.

However, it was the British, who started the card-sending tradition in the 1840s. This tradition was introduced in

the U.S. in the 1870s. In the United Kingdom, people call Santa Claus Father Christmas.

Gustavo Burkett, a sophomore business administration student from Argentina said, in his country people refer to Santa Claus as Papa Noel, whose name originated from an Italian tradition. Since Argentina had a large number of Italian immigrants, the tradition became part of their culture.

"On Christmas Eve, after 12 p.m. children open their presents after Papa Noel's visit," Burkett said. "Some families have costumes and prefer to surprise their children, others ring a bell so that the children know that Papa Noel has come."

Argentineans celebrate Christmas in two different ways. Because a majority of the population is Roman Catholic, the whole celebration is oriented towards Christ's birth, rather than anything else, Burkett said. Nevertheless, most people celebrate both Christ's birth and Santa Claus.

Andre Dpenha, a first-year computer-engineering student from India, said in his country Christians make up less than 3 percent of the population. Therefore, celebrations aren't as big as in the U.S.

"But Christmas and New Year are celebrated with great favor in India, not only by the Christians but by almost any and every community," Dpenha said.

"Among Christians, there are big family events, sort of like Thanksgiving here, ... when the whole family from all over the world comes together in their native cities."

In Japan, Catholic and Protestant Christians constitute 1 percent of the population. They celebrate Christmas as a part of their religion, but people who are not Christian also enjoy Christmas for fun, said Shinobu Uehara, a junior biology major.

"Actually, Christmas is one of the biggest business chances in Japan," Uehara said. "In general, unless you [follow a different] religion, you enjoy Christmas by having a Christmas cake and some carols."

Juraj Kojis, a senior music performance student from Slovakia, said people call Santa Claus, Mikulas, who is famous for his affection to children and who travels with Snehulka (Cinderella), and an Evil. People celebrate Mikulas's Day on Dec. 6, after which he disappears for the rest of the year.

"He does not bring Christmas gifts, but you get sweets to your booths if you were good enough during the year," Kojis said

and added that children who did not behave well get pieces of coal.

Kenians celebrate Christmas and refer to Santa as Father Christmas, said sophomore biology major Fred Odera. "We celebrate it mainly with family members who come together and have a meal with a lot of roasted meat, which is normally slaughtered on site," he said.

"A major difference [between Kenyan and American Christmases] would be that we do not have white Christmas, so we frost our Christmas trees. Or if you don't have to frost, then you use cotton wool."

Polish people celebrate Christmas, or Swieta Bozgonarodzenia, by cooking red barsch, pirogues, lots of pies and fish, said Ewa Kleczyk, a third-year economics major. Kleczyk said people in her country don't eat meat on Christmas Eve, but fried or boiled fish.

People in Poland also go to church around midnight, and enjoy themselves by singing carols, having activities together, visiting friends and other family members. Kleczyk said people refer to St. Nicholas as Mikolaj, a symbol of goodness and care, and the one who brings presents to children.

Dorms

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rated her room to suit her tastes. She has Christmas lights, movie and play posters, and even has a dried rose collection.

Reflecting on her room, Moore said the loft has really made a difference in her room. She said before she would be

tempted to just sit on her bed, but with the loft she has more room to do other activities. Her room was actually her sister's before she moved in last year. She likes the privacy it gives her and of course all the space.

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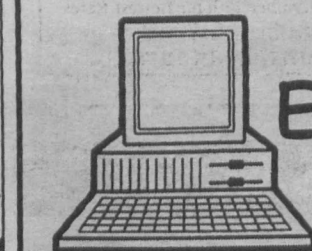
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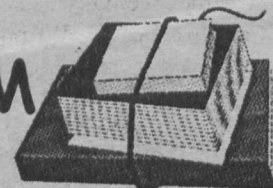


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Jungle

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October and have yet find a donor. Occasionally they show brief signs of recovery but, realistically, they're on life support.

For Pats head coach Pete Carroll, I'd like to give a commemorative copy of the Sports Cliche' Handbook and an offer to write the prologue for its next edition. Pete is very well versed in the book's contents, using his press conferences to perform public readings from its pages.

"We've got an opportunity here," "We've got to stay focused" and "We didn't get it done" are his favorite passages this year. I'll give it to him in paperback so he can take it with him this summer when he looks for a new job.

The cup shaped box is for the Boston Bruins and it contains a new owner. The current one is only concerned with making money and spends just enough to get his team to the first round of the playoffs. In the NHL, this isn't extraordinary in lieu of the fact that nearly EVERY team makes the first round.

Get a sniper, win a Stanley Cup and watch the fans flock to the Fleetcenter. This new owner will understand these risk-reward ramifications.

I'd give a time machine to the Celtics. They could all pile in (yes, there would be enough room, even with Pitino's ego) and travel back to a time when the only numbers that counted were those below the "W" column in the standings. In fact, the entire NBA might benefit from this gift.

A large supply of patience and recognition is under the tree for the UMaine women's hockey team. Patience is in short supply at the NCAA Division I level, with the fans and probably with the team as well but it's essential at this early stage of their program's development.

They could use the recognition to see how good they really are. For forty minutes, they were just as good as those cocky Cats from UNH. I'd put this recognition

into their water bottles and give it to them during the other twenty minutes.

For the men's hockey team, I would give a pink slip to the schedule-maker. He's working for Dr. Evil. He stayed up all night, wired on Jolt and Bear's Den pizza, and cooked up four weeks of hell for the Black Bears.

From the first weekend in January to the first weekend in February, Maine will face UNH three times and both BC and BU twice. As a breather they travel to Amherst to play UMass, who battle like a rat in their own building. Good luck and God bless.

Over at Mahaney Diamond, I'd like to give the gift of a mild spring. Coach Kosty's crew can use the warm weather to bludgeon their America East opponents into submission, en route to the conference title and an NCAA regional berth. After returning from their southern swing, hitting baseballs during April in Maine must be akin to having dental surgery with pliers and no anesthesia.

To my beloved Red Sox, I give a table dance with Lady Luck. For eight decades she hasn't worked their part of the room and she's the only one with the power to undo the curse.

Lastly, I'd like to give the UMaine administration some perspective.

Releasing students just a few days before the major family and travel holiday of the year demonstrates a need for such perspective, whatever the intent.

Have a happy and safe holiday season.

Jim Leonard is a first-year nontraditional student, and plays Santa Claus for the annual Red Sox Christmas party.

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Men's hockey

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80 percent of their shorthanded chances, dead last in Hockey East. They have scored eight shorthanded goals on the season.

Despite losing to Maine on Dec. 10, Boston University is in second place in Hockey East at 6-1-2. They have an overall record of 11-4-2.

In their only meeting this season, Maine scored twice in the third period for

a 4-2 win. The loss ended the Terrier's 11-game unbeaten streak.

Dan Cavanaugh is turning heads in his second collegiate season. He is seventh in the NCAA in assists with 16 and in the nation's top 25 with 20 points.

Maine will have one week off before classes begin, then will host Boston College for a pair of games to close out January.

Men's basketball

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lead ourselves," Giannini said. "Comparatively, I think that our performance is one of the tougher games they've had this year."

UCLA has recovered well from losing star point guard Baron Davis in the first round of the NBA draft to the Charlotte Hornets. Point guard Earl Watson (11.3 ppg, 5.8 apg) has emerged as a capable floor general and has filled Davis' leadership role admirably.

The team has developed a more balanced scoring attack this year and has a solid and deep lineup from top to bottom. The Bruins lead the PAC-10 in team scoring without having an individual among the best 25 scorers in the conference.

"I use the parallel to Stanford," said UCLA head coach Steve Lavin. "When they lost Brevin [Knight], they became a more balanced team with [Arthur] Lee and [Kris] Weems and

[Peter] Sauer on the perimeter. I know defensively, we'd try to load up on Brevin, double-team him. That was the only way you could stop him. After Brevin left, you couldn't do that because there was such balance."

Maine has had problems defending players in the low post all season, and their task will not get any easier against the Bruins. UCLA features two potential first round NBA draft picks in Jerome Moiso (14.0 ppg, 6.8 rpg) and Dan Gadzuric (8.4 ppg, 4.5 rpg) on the blocks. The 6'10" duo will pose many problems for the Bears.

"We're probably going to have to try to trap them and make them passers as much as possible," Giannini said. "We'll probably try to keep them from getting position to the basket. When they get the ball, we'll try to make them passers as opposed to scorers."

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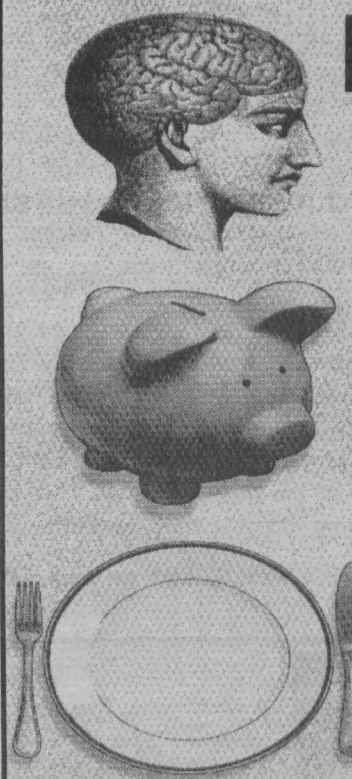
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• Men's hockey

Maine to face national headliners over break



Maine's Barrett Heisten leads the team in scoring with 19 points. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

By Eric Nelson

For the *Maine Campus*

While University of Maine students enjoy a four-week break, the Maine men's hockey team will work toward building momentum.

Maine will usher in the new year in Denver, Colo., with two games in the Norwest Denver Cup. The Black Bears will face off with Colorado College on New Year's Eve and either Denver or Notre Dame on New Year's Day.

Colorado College is 9-8 overall, 7-5 in WCHA play. After a solid start to the season, the Tigers have lost five out of their last six games, including a series split with MSU-Mankato last weekend.

A pair of sophomore forwards are making major offensive contributions. Mark Cullen leads the team in scoring with eight goals and 11 assists for 19 points. Jesse Heerema is fourth on the team with 15 points, second on the team with two game-winning goals, and third with three power play-goals.

Denver stunned North Dakota earlier this season, defeating them. Despite this, the Pioneers are 7-11 on the year, 5-9 in WCHA play.

Senior defenseman Joe Ritson leads the team in goals with 10. He has 16 points on the season. Center Jon Newman leads the team in scoring with 13 assists and 18 points.

Notre Dame's biggest accomplishment so far has been a 1-0 shutout victory over Michigan State on Dec. 4. The Fighting Irish are just 7-9-2 on the season, 4-6-2 in the CCHA.

Freshman goaltender Tony Zasowski has made an impact in his first season. He is 4-2-2 in CCHA play with a 2.27 goals-against average, including the shutout victory over the Spartans on Dec. 4.

Maine will make its annual visit to southern Maine three days later for a game against Cornell at the Cumberland County Civic Center.

Cornell is 4-7 on the season, 4-4 in ECAC play. The Big Red have dropped five straight games, including 3-2 losses to Providence College and Merrimack College.

Goaltender Ian Burt is putting up numbers everywhere except the win column. He has a 2.41 goals-against average and .911 save percentage overall. In ECAC play, Burt's numbers drop to 1.99 goals-against and .923 save percentage. Despite this, he is 1-4 on the year, 1-2 in ECAC games.

Starting on Jan. 7, the Black Bears have five Hockey East games in a span of nine days, with two home games against New Hampshire, a road match with UMass-Amherst, and a two game series at Boston University.

New Hampshire is currently in first place in Hockey East, as well as the top-ranked team in the country. They are 10-0-1 in their last 11 games, allowing just 18 goals against in that span.

Junior Ty Conklin continues to establish himself as one of the top net-minders in college hockey. Along with Jason Krog, he led New Hampshire to the national title game in 1999. This year, he is 13-1-1 with a 2.10 goals-against average, 13th in the country. He has won his past seven games following a 5-5 tie with Boston University. His only loss this season was to Rensselaer in late October.

Sophomore Darren Haydar, last season's Hockey East Rookie of the Year, leads the Wildcats in scoring with 11 goals and 18 points. Linemate Mike Souza leads the team in assists with 10, and is second in points with 15.

One area of concern for New Hampshire may be the power play. The Wildcats have scored on 12 percent of their chances this season, seventh best among Hockey East teams. On the other side, their penalty killing has been stellar, killing just under 89 percent of shorthanded opportunities, second to Boston College.

UMass-Amherst has struggled this year. They are winless in Hockey East play at 0-6-1, and are just 4-8-2 overall.

The Minutemen are the least penalized team in Hockey East, spending about 16 minutes in the box per game. This is a lucky thing, because they are killing just

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• Southern comfort

A nod to the past

By David McDuffie
For the *Maine Campus*

I sat in front of my TV a couple of weeks ago watching the final minutes of Sports Illustrated's 20th century sports awards. The night's final award, the SI Sportsman of the Century Award, was all that was left to curiosity. Billy Crystal opened the envelope, glanced down and read a name; Muhammed Ali.

I have never had that much fondness for Ali, but no one can deny the appeal and captivating personality which literally enthralled anyone who observes this ex-champion.

He stood, and with the aid of a friend, made it slowly to the stage, Billy Crystal guiding him, his body in the brutal clutches of Parkinson's disease. He uttered a few short, modest words. He had trouble getting them out. A sobering thought entered my mind — the aging of our heroes.

Backtrack to last year's Major League baseball's All-Star game. Ted Williams, "The Kid," stood on the grass to make the opening pitch. Tony Gwynn steadied him for fear that the aging legend may fall as he wound and made his pitch, a hero from the past with a hero from the present.

Ted Williams could hardly walk.

He was possibly the greatest hitter to ever live and the last man to bat over .400 for a season. He played the game his way staying aloof from reporters that pestered him and fans that either loved or hated him. He never tipped his hat after a home run, but was a hero and one of the greatest of them all.

His Hall of Fame career was cut into two halves because of the time that he spent overseas fighting for our nation in the world's last great war. He returned to capture the hearts of America, seemingly immortal. And now he can hardly walk.

And as we prepare to travel into a new millennium one can't help but think of the figures who helped shaped the century before. 1999 has been a hard year for sports heroes. Catfish Hunter gone to Lou Gherig's disease, Walter Payton from a rare liver disease, Wilt Chamberlain from a heart attack, Payne Stewart in a plane crash, and finally Joe Dimaggio to the ravages of old age.

These athletes played the part and played it well while they were on center stage. Now whether faded from the public eye or gone from this earth for good, we search for those heroes that we once thought invincible but many are nowhere to be found.

But the memories remain. Ali dancing in the ring spouting off that tantalizing banter which so thoroughly characterized his fiery personality, Joe Dimaggio strolling across the soft green of the outfield in Yankee Stadium to snag a lazy fly ball, or Ted Williams twisting into that characteristic corkscrew as he sent a line drive over the right field fence at Fenway in what was to be his last at bat in the major leagues still declining to tip his hat to the cheering crowd.

Maybe these heroes are immortal. Who can forget Ali's self-proclaimed "I am the greatest" speeches or his stunning upset of George Foreman in Africa? Dimaggio has been chronicled in the timeless literature of Hemingway and in the soulful poetry of Paul Simon.

A country's heroes have faded from the spotlight to make way for a new generation of the same. What we have left are subtle reminders of greatness like Simon eulogizing Dimaggio on the same grass

that he roamed so gracefully. "Where have you gone, Joe Dimaggio? Our nation turns its lonely eyes to you."

His words seemed to haunt the faithful as they stood within the confines of Yankee Stadium listening to the words, "Joltin' Joe has left and gone away."

Those who still remain, whether a shell of their former selves or not, still hold the adoring eyes of a nation. No one stirred as Ali's slurred words filled the auditorium, a monument from the past standing in the present.

Think back to when the greatest baseball players of the century were being honored at the World Series. An aging man sat in a chair wearing a baseball cap, unable to stand on his own for the duration of the ceremony. His name was called. Ted Williams tipped his hat to the crowd, an image both ageless and timeless. Immortal indeed.

David McDuffie, a junior political science major, will be heading back to the University of Georgia next semester. We thank him for his contributions.

WEEKEND WARZONE

Since there will be some people sticking around at the University of Maine over Winter Break, here is a schedule to put in your wallet or purse to remind you of what you're missing.

December: No home games.

Men's Basketball:

Sunday, Jan. 2 vs. Delaware, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 4 vs. Towson, 7:30.

Saturday, Jan. 15 vs. UNH, 1 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 21 vs. Hofstra, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 23 vs. Drexel, 1 p.m.

Men's Hockey:

Tues., Jan. 4, vs. Cornell, 7 p.m., Portland

Friday, Jan. 7 vs. UNH, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 8 vs. UNH, 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 28 vs. BC, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 29 vs. BC, 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball:

Saturday, Jan. 8 vs. Hartford, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 11 vs. Rice, 7:30 p.m.

Thurs., Jan. 27, Delaware, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 29 vs. Towson, noon

Women's Hockey:

Sat., Jan. 15 vs. Providence, 7 p.m.

Sun., Jan. 16 vs. NU, 3 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 30 vs. McGill, 1 p.m.

Swimming/Diving:

Sat. Jan. 29 vs. Towson, 11 a.m.

Ed's Picks: Obviously, the Maine-UNH-BC games will be huge for men's hockey. The women's basketball team will entertain three divisional rivals, while hosting Rice, an out-of-conference opponent that will give the Bears a test.

The men's basketball team will have a chance to get an early jump with five America East contests, crucial considering many are picking Delaware to repeat as conference champions. The Blue Hens will visit Orono two days after the world finds out the impact of Y2K.

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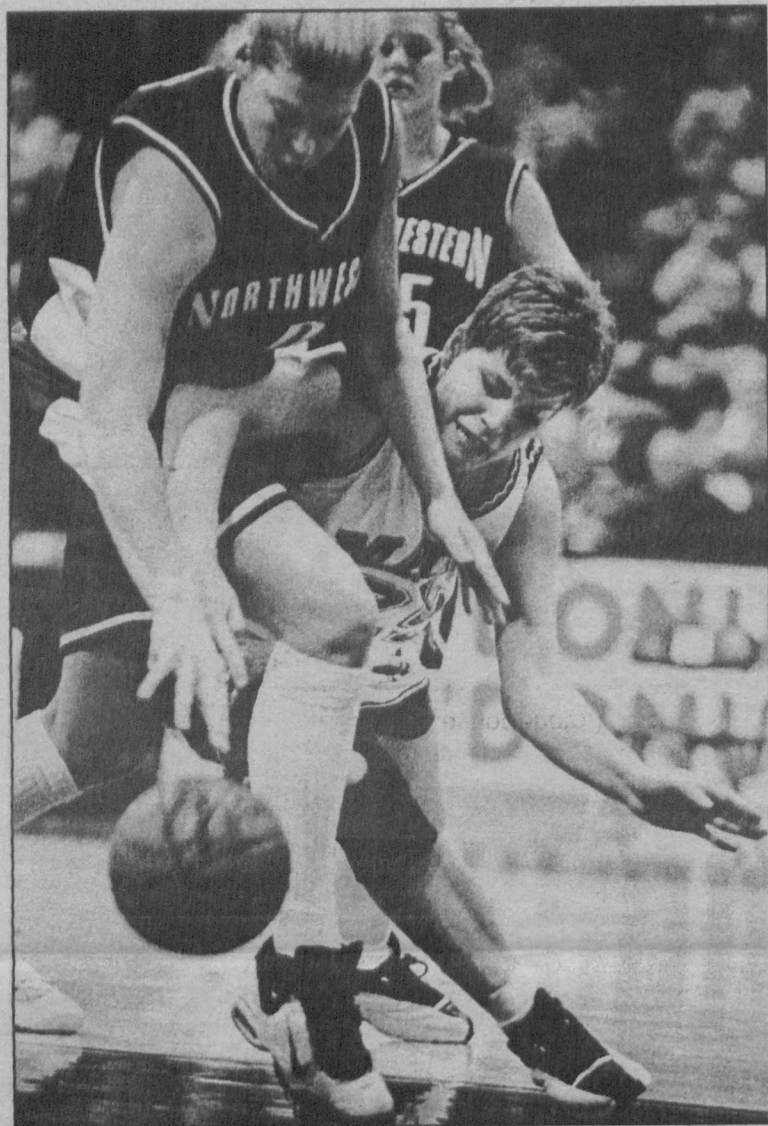
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• Women's Basketball

Maine declaws Northwestern 64 - 50



Martina Tinklova battles a Northwestern player during last night's 64 - 50 Maine win. (Caleb Raynor photo.)

By Heather Day
For the *Maine Campus*

The University of Maine women's basketball team exploded onto the court Thursday evening against Northwestern University to take a 64-50 win.

Senior Jamie Cassidy got Maine on the board at 18:01 of the first half and it was all blue and white after that.

They rebounded. They stole. They blocked.

Yet, Northwestern helped Maine out a little.

They threw the ball away, overshot the net, and apparently forgot who was on their team during a few of their passes.

Northwestern had 25 turnovers to Maine's 14. The Wildcats are averaging 23.3 turnovers per game, which adds up to about twice as many as their opponents.

"We turn the ball over for no reason," Northwestern head coach June Olkowski stated after the loss. "We continually turned the ball over at critical times."

Even so, Maine played tremendously. Their passing was amazing, their defense strong, and their offense, which has been struggling, showed some improvements.

"We definitely generated offense from defense tonight,"

Maine head coach Joanne Palombo-McCallie said. "It's a lot more fun that way."

Senior Jamie Cassidy had a total of 29 points with 10 rebounds, most of the time drawing a double-team.

Cassidy's performance put a lot of minds at ease tonight since she hasn't been playing like herself lately.

"In all aspects, I haven't been playing my game. I just got tired of not playing well and I wanted to get back into it," Cassidy said.

Junior Martina Tinklova had nine points with four steals. She played on top of her game, and impressed the team as well as Palombo.

"Martina is just a presence that has to be dealt with," Palombo stated. "She played her game tonight."

Junior Kizzy Lopez also had an outstanding defensive performance, giving the team a lift when they needed it.

She had six rebounds with six points, two blocks and four steals.

Senior Amy Vachon walked off the court with seven points, 12 assists and three blocks.

"We were moving the ball a lot better tonight," Vachon said. "Defense was great limiting Northwestern to only one shot."

"We had a total team

effort," Palombo said. "Our leadership was outstanding and we really took charge. There was a lot more talking and we need that."

Maine heads into the holidays with a little break and will pick up on Dec. 28 at the University of Florida State Farm Classic where they will play Boston College.

Black Bear Notes:

Freshman Ellen Geraghty played a team high 28 minutes Thursday evening after her struggle with mononucleosis.

"Ellen is almost totally back," Palombo-McCallie said. "Every once in a while she has a low spell, so I can't say she's at 100 percent, but she's at about 70 percent."

Senior Katie Clark made a decision to sit out the game and the upcoming game against Rhode Island to rest her foot.

She's been experiencing some pain during practice, but the progress with her foot is good.

Junior Chantal Macream, a reserve guard for the Bears, has apparently left the team.

After being told that she would not make the travel down to Augusta against Boston University on Saturday, she cut off all contact with the team and no word has yet been mentioned on her status or whereabouts.

• Men's basketball

Bears: California Dreamin'

By Jeremy Garland
For the *Maine Campus*

The University of Maine will have many envious fans this upcoming week.

The Black Bears will fly to Laie, Hawaii, to participate in the Pearl Harbor Classic Tournament from Dec. 21 to 23.

While they will take in the glorious sights and warm weather, the team will also make the most of another rare opportunity — playing the powerful basketball institution of UCLA, possibly the best program Maine has ever faced.

"I think UCLA has a strong argument for the most successful program in college basketball history," said Maine head coach

John Giannini. "We're clearly talking about one of the top five basketball programs in the history of basketball."

Maine enters the contest with a record of 5-2, tied for second in America East. UCLA will host the tournament as the 17th ranked team in the nation. The school invited Maine, Florida A&M and Colorado State to participate.

The tournament represents Maine's last action before Christmas. The team will start up again Dec. 29 in the Stony Brook Tournament in New York, and conference play begins at Alford Arena Jan. 2 against Delaware.

UCLA suffered their first loss in a Dec. 11 59-43 upset to Gonzaga University, who contin-

ue to play well after an impressive 1999 NCAA Tournament run. The Bruins have compiled a 3-1 record in early play, tying them for third in the PAC-10 behind national powers Stanford and Arizona.

The Black Bears face their second opponent from a power conference in a row. The team fell to undefeated Big Ten squad Minnesota 91-77 in their last game, but Giannini feels the team performed admirably against the Gophers.

"As it was, Minnesota could never quite put us away, but at the same time we could never quite make a push to getting the

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• Jim's Jungle

Christmas list for the sports needy

By Jim Leonard
For the *Maine Campus*

Tis' the season. Finals week (or weeks), late semester projects and classes that are scheduled to end as St. Nick passes overhead combine for the mind-numbing chaos that is a University of Maine Christmas.

In all the hub-bub, I've forgotten to do my shopping. Normally this is cause for concern, but this year it's different. By virtue of the university's infinite system of fees, I'm broke. Thus I will confine my material gifts to those

who compose my inner circle, currently the size of a dime.

However, I am imbued with the spirit of the season and am in a giving mood. As a sportswriter and lifelong fan of sports in the northeast, I've got a long list of things for the teams I follow and cover. I'll wrap these wishes in bows of blue because it's the school color (the color of sincerity), and blue bows are cheap.

To the New England Patriots, I'd like to give a heart. They lost theirs somewhere back in

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